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OF THE

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MESSAGE.

Gentlemen of the Senate

and of the House of Representatives:

It gives me no ordinary pleasure to welcome you to the capital, and to congratulate you upon the present condition of the State. We are receiving large accessions to our wealth and population; our citizens are in the enjoyment of a healthful season and an abundant harvest; every branch of industry receives its liberal reward, and our inhabitants are prosperous and happy in a degree unexampled in our former history.

The cheering prospect she now presents, inspires the hope, that at no distant period Texas will be allotted that high position in political importance among the States of the Union, to which she is so justly entitled from the varied productions of her soil, the vast extent of her territory, and the industry and enterprise of her citizens.

In communicating to you the condition of the State, I would most respectfully invite your attention to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 28th of February last, proposing a final adjustment of our public debt, and of all claims against the United States.

In lieu of the five millions of United States five per cent stock still due to this State, under the Act of Congress of the 9th of September, 1850, the Act of the 28th of February proposes to pay the sum of seven millions seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars to those creditors of the late Republic of Texas, for whose debts the revenues of that Republic were pledged, to be apportioned *pro rata* among them.

A copy of this Act is herewith submitted for your consideration. It is not to take effect, as you will perceive, until it shall

be assented to by you; nor until you shall pass a law withdrawing and abandoning all claims and demands against the United States growing out of Indian depredations or otherwise.

The question of the acceptance or rejection of this Act, was submitted to the electors of this State at the late election, when but 25,427 out of about 45,000 who voted at that election, felt interest enough in the subject to vote upon it; of those who did vote, 11,609 were for its acceptance, and 13,818 were for its rejection; under the circumstances, I do not consider the result of this vote any test of the opinion of the people of the State upon the merits of the Act, and do not think it should exercise any influence upon your action in regard to it.

The Act provides for the payment of all of the debt of the late Republic of Texas, which has not heretofore been paid at par from our own Treasury, and will pay to each creditor about seventy-eight cents on the dollar of the ostensible value of his claim on the 1st day of July, 1850, as ascertained by our laws.

In deciding upon the acceptance or rejection of this Act, it should be borne in mind, that any final settlement of the debt embraced in its provisions must be assented to by the United States, the creditors and Texas. Texas alone cannot prescribe the terms on which it shall be settled, for she has already, by her previous legislation, consented that the United States shall retain the five millions due under the Act of Congress of the 9th of September, 1850, until those creditors, for whose debts, the duties of the late Republic of Texas on imposts were specially pledged, shall first file at the Treasury of the United States, releases of all claim against the General Government for or on account of those debts, in such form as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury and approved by the President of the United States.

The construction given to this provision by two Secretaries of the Treasury and approved by two Presidents, requires that all those creditors who hold any of the bonds or promissory notes of the late Republic of Texas, shall file such releases at the Treasury of the United States, before any portion of the reserved five millions of stock can be issued to Texas.

Texas has protested against this construction, and on the

31st of January, 1852, she passed a law providing that each creditor of this class should be paid the amount of his claim as ascertained by her laws, when he should file a release of all claim against the United States and Texas, provided that government would issue to Texas amounts of the reserved five millions equal to the sums for which such releases might be presented by Texas to the United States Treasury.

Up to this time the United States and a portion of these creditors have refused to assent to this law, and I do not think any reasonable hope can be entertained that this debt will ever be settled, either under the provisions of the original Act of Congresss of the 9th of September, 1850, or under the law of Texas of the 31st of January, 1852.

It is a matter of much interest to the creditors as well as to our own citizens that this debt shall be speedily settled. It was contracted in establishing and maintaining our independence, and every principle of honor and justice requires that we shall discharge it as soon as possible, since we now have the ability to do so.

This act is generally understood to be acceptable to the creditors; it is respectful in its terms, and contains nothing but what we may accede to with honor, if we provide that every creditor shall receive what we acknowledge to be due him.

The amount of this debt, on the 1st of July, 1850, as acknowled by our laws, was $4,435,638 78, if we were to pay it with interest from the 1st of July, 1850, to the time of payment, (and I presume no one will contend that, if the United States and the creditors were to consent to its payment according to our own laws, we would be justified in refusing to pay the same rate of interest that the stock is drawing,) we would have left out of the five millions the sum of $705,452 32.

If we accede to this Act, we shall receive out of the five millions, the sum of $179,163 93, after paying the creditors according to its provisions, and also paying to those creditors whose *pro rata* will be less than we owe them, the difference between what we admit to be due them and their *pro rata*, so that in a pecuniary view we lose but $526,288 39 by accepting this Act, instead of paying the debt in accordance with our own laws.

This is a small consideration compared with the great importance of having this troublesome business settled upon terms satisfactory to our creditors.

It is true that, in addition to this loss, we withdraw and abandon all claims and demands against the United States, growing out of Indian depredations or otherwise.

These claims, if any such exist, arise from a supposed obligation on the part of the United States, to pay us the expenses incurred by the Republic of Texas in defending herself against Idinan tribes belonging to the United States.

These expenses were paid by the issue of promissory notes, which now constitute a large part of this very debt.

It is not probable that we shall ever realize any thing from these claims, except in the manner now proposed; they are of long standing, and have never been seriously urged against the United States until the last Legislature passed a joint resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives to urge their settlement upon the Congress of the United States, and authorizing them to accept or reject any proposition that might be made for the full and final adjustment thereof, subject to ratification by the Legislature.

Those who were instrumental in getting this joint resolution passed, had in view a settlement of these claims in connection with the payment of our public debt by the United States in the manner now proposed.

Upon a deliberate review of this subject, in all its bearings, I am satisfied that we ought to accept of this Act. We shall never settle our debt on better terms, and it seems to be the only mode by which it can be discharged in any reasonable time. I, therefore, recommend the passage of such a law as will give it effect, concurrently with another law appropriating out of the amount we are to receive under its provisions, such sum as will be sufficient to pay those creditors whose *pro rata* will be less than we owe them, the difference between *their pro rata* and what we admit to be due them, which will be about $118,901 42.

If this debt were settled, Texas would be in a better financial condition than any other State of the Union.

We had in our Treasury $1,592,742 68-100 on the first day of the present month, besides the school fund of over two millions of dollars. In addition to this, we will receive under the Act of Congress before referred to, if we should accept it, the sum of $179,163 93-100, after making up the deficiency between what we acknowledge to be due to a portion of our creditors, and the amount they will receive under that act. We have also a public domain the value of which can scarcely be estimated.

The value of our taxable property is increasing with astonishing rapidity. The increase from 1853 to 1854 was about twenty-seven per cent., and from 1854 to 1855 about seventeen per cent.

Our State tax of fifteen cents on each hundred dollars of the assesment for the year 1854, together with the poll tax produced about the sum of $209,481 46-100.

On the assessment for the year 1855 together with the poll tax, it produced about $245.632 35-100.

The amount of the tax upon licenses, occupations, and sales for the year 1854, was about $37,039 65-100. For 1855 it was about $27,570 60-100.

The decrease in this tax for the present year was caused by the operation of the law of the 11th of February 1854, regulating and restraining the sale of spirituous liquors.

After paying the expense of assessing and collecting these taxes, and setting apart one-tenth of them for the school fund there would remain a few thousand dollars surplus, over and above the appropriations for the ordinary expenses of the government, for the years 1854 and 1855, which were about $357 041 40-100.

For the years 1856 and 1857 these expenses will be considerably increased, as the law of the last session increasing the pay and mileage of the Legislature, is now in operation.

I think, however, that our State tax may be reduced from fifteen to twelve and a half cents on the hundred dollars, and that it will still produce an amount amply sufficient to meet all the appropriations that will be required for the years 1856 and 1857.

For the last four years, as you are aware, the State taxes have been relinquished to the counties, and the expenses of the government have been paid from the bonds received from the United States government in the settlement of our North-west boundary.

The amount of these bonds now remaining in the Treasury is $1,575,000, and if we continue to rely upon them to meet the expenses of the government, they will, with the interest accruing on them, pay these expenses for about eight years.

But these bonds having been received as the consideration for our relinquishment of the right of soil and jurisdiction over a portion of the territory acquired by our revolution, ought not to be expended for temporary purposes; they ought rather to be husbanded and used for objects of public utility, permanent in their character.

The main reason assigned for relinquishing the State tax to the counties, was to enable them to build Court Houses and Jails. Those counties which have made a judicious use of this tax are now supplied with these buildings, and this reason can no longer be urged.

I am opposed to any future relinquishment of the State tax to the counties, and think that it should be relied on to meet the ordinary expenses of the government; this course will probably tend to economy in these expenses, for where the means for the support of a government are derived from a direct tax upon the people, it will be found that they are more watchful to prevent lavish and improvident appropriations, and hold their officers to a more rigid accountability.

If we act upon these suggestions, we will still have to use a portion of these bonds to meet the outstanding appropriations for the years 1854 and 1855, and also for the appropriations for the year 1856, as the taxes assessed for that year, will not be collected until 1857.

Your attention is invited to the annual report of the State Treasurer as Ex-officio Superintendent of Common Schools, for the years 1854 and 1855, which are transmitted herewith.

It will be seen from these reports, that very few of the county officers, to whom duties are prescribed under the School

Law, have performed them in accordance with its provisions. This neglect of these officers has rendered it impossible for the Treasurer to perform his duties under the law, at the time and in the manner required. He has, however, with my concurrence, prevented an entire failure of the law, by coming as near a compliance with its provisions as was possible, under the circumstances.

The number of children in the State between the ages of six and sixteen years, as ascertained by the reports of the assessors and collectors who have made returns for the year 1855, and by the estimate of the Treasurer for those counties that have failed to make returns, is 66,150; and the annual distribution of the fund gives for each scholar one dollar and fifty cents.

The School Law has proved to be defective in its details and entirely unsuited to our condition. I was not satisfied with it when it passed, but gave it my approval because it created a liberal fund, and attempted to do something towards the establishment of schools.

These reports show that but few of the counties have organized and established schools as required by this law; in most of them the population is sparsely scattered over a great extent of territory, which cannot be divided into districts containing a sufficient number of children for the maintainance of a school, without making the districts so large, that the school must necessarily be at an inconvenient distance from a large portion of the scholars; this, without doubt, has prevented and will continue to prevent, the execution of a law like the present until our population becomes more dense.

We should not be deterred by the failure of this attempt.—Let us amend the present law by imposing heavy penalties upon those assessors and collectors who fail to make a return of the number of scholars in their county within the time prescribed, and in lieu of that part of the present law which requires a division of the counties into districts, let us declare all schools that may be kept in the State, public schools, and allow the fund distributed to each county, to be disbursed under the orders of the county court, to such teachers as the parents and

guardians of the children may choose to employ for their education.

This plan, I am satisfied, is better adapted to our present situation than any other which can be devised, and I believe it will be much more acceptable to the people than that provided for by the present law.

As our situation changes, some other system more suited to our wants will no doubt suggest itself and can then be adopted.

A reference to these reports will show that there is now in our Treasury about one hundred and twenty four thousand dollars, which has accumulated from the one-tenth of the annual revenue set apart by the constitution for the support of schools, fifty three thousand of which has already been invested in United States five per cent bonds. I recommend that the residue be also invested in like manner, that the whole be added to the two million school fund, and that hereafter this tenth, together with the income of that fund, be annually distributed as directed by the school law.

By this means, the annual amount applied by the State, for the support of schools, will be about one hundred and twenty thousand dollars, which will be gradually increasing as our revenue from taxation increases.

The school fund may be greatly increased by a judicious use of the four leagues of land that have heretofore been granted to each county of the State for public schools.

It is questionable whether these lands will ever accomplish much good, if they are allowed to remain in the possession of the counties, for it appears from information furnished by the commissioner of the General Land Office, that but 954,181 acres, of the 1,753,488, to which the ninety-nine counties of the State are entitled, have yet been selected. Forty one counties only have selected their full amount, twenty have selected 227,989 acres of the 354,240, to which they are entitled, and thirty eight have made no selections, so that 799.307 acres yet remain to be selected. Nineteen of the counties which have made no selections were organized in 1846 or previous to that time, six were organized in 1848 and thirteen were organized at different periods between the years 1849 and 1854.

It is reasonable to expect that those who have neglected, for so long a period, to avail themselves of these liberal grants of land, will not hereafter manage them with that care and attention that will be required to realize their full value.

It is unfortunate that these lands were not, at first, set apart to be managed by the State itself, as a general fund for the common benefit of all the counties, for they would have been selected long since, in sections of the State where their value would have greatly increased by the settlements since made.

They would, without doubt, be much better managed by the State than by the counties, for they could be placed under the control of a single officer, whose special duty it would be to superintend them, attend to their survey and sale, whenever it might be deemed advisable to bring them into market and invest their proceeds, instead of being under the management of the officers of ninety nine different counties, who are too remote from the lands and too much occupied with other official duties to give much attention to them.

It will be found that those States of the Union, which have retained the lands granted to them by the general government for schools, and made them a general fund for the whole State, have realized far more benefit from them than those who have left them to the control of the different townships in which they are situated.

I suggest for your consideration, whether it would not be well to propose an amendment to our Constitution, declaring that all of these grants shall be vested in the State to be administered as a common fund for the benefit of all the counties, and sold, from time to time, under the direction of the legislature, at not less than a minimum price, after they shall have been subdivided into small tracts; the proceeds of such sales to be added to the present school fund, and the income thereof to be applied in the same manner as the income of the present fund.

If this disposition were made of them, they would, in a few years, add at least three millions of dollars to our present school fund.

Should these suggestions not be acceptable to you, then I re-

commend an amendment to the Constitution similar to that proposed to the last legislature, which was, that the counties should be authorized to sell these lands at not less than a minimum price, the proceeds of such sale to be kept as a fund, and the income applied to the support of schools.

By the adoption of either of these amendments, these lands would soon be made available, while under the present provisions of the constitution, which only authorize them to be leased for a term not exceeding twenty years, they are entirely useless for the purpose which they were granted, because in a country where land is so cheap as it is here, unimproved lands cannot be leased for so short a period, so as to produce any revenue.

I invite your attention to the importance of establishing a State University, which shall afford to our youth all those opportunities for obtaining a liberal education, that are to be found in any part of the Union.

We cannot appreciate too highly the advantages of educating our children within the reach of parental authority, where they can daily witness the practical operation of our government, its institutions and laws, and become familiar with the habits and sympathies of the people with whom they are destined to associate in after life.

To secure these advantages is worthy of an effort on the part of the State, and I recommend that the sum of three hundred thousand dollars of the United States bonds, now in our Treasury, be appropriated as a permanent fund, to be increased by the proceeds of the gradual sale of the University lands, at not less than a minimum price, after they shall have been subdivided into small tracts, and that the income of this fund be applied to the erection and support of such an institution.

This will enable us in a few years to erect the necessary buildings, employ professors in every branch of literature and science, and place the institution on a sure basis for future prosperity and usefulness.

While upon this subject, it is proper I should inform you that a portion of the University lands have not yet been selected, and I suggest that a sufficient appropriation of money be made to pay the expenses of selecting and surveying them.

I also call your attention to the necessity of establishing an Asylum for Lunatics. If we had such an institution in our midst, where those who are afflicted with insanity could be promptly placed under the care of persons skilled in its causes and treatment, a large portion of those unfortunate persons might be restored to reason, and the condition of all greatly alleviated.

We also need an institution for the education of the deaf, dumb and blind, where these unfortunate classes may be taught their duties and responsibilities as citizens, and made useful members of society.

Institutions of this character are necessary in every community, but they cannot be founded and supported without the care and patronage of the State.

I therefore recommend that two hundred and fifty thousand dollars of the United States bonds, now in our Treasury, be appropriated as a permanent fund for the erection and support of a Lunatic Asylum, and a like amount as a permanent fund for an institution for the educationof the deaf anddumb and blind, and that provision be made for the erection of these institutions as soon as the income of these funds will permit.

If we would create and encourage among our citizens a spirit of independence and attachment for their own State, we ought to furnish them at home with all those facilities for improving and ameliorating their mental social and physical condition, which are to be found in other parts of the world. We now have the means of doing this without imposing any onerous burden upon our citizens, and if we neglect to avail ourselves of this opportunity, we shall be justly charged with being unmindful of the high duties and responsibilities that rest upon us.

In compliance with the provisions of "An Act to provide for the construction of the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad," approved the 21st of December, 1853, proposals for its construction, were, in the first instance, invited, until the 1st of May, 1854, but before the arrival of that period, it became apparent that the time allowed for receiving proposals was too short, and it was extended to the 1st of August of the same year.

On the day to which the time had been extended, the propositions were opened, and it was ascertained that but one had been received, which came within the provisions of the law. This was accepted, and on the 31st of August a contract was concluded for the construction of the road.

The contractors subsequently failed to make such a deposit as the law required, and the contract was declared to be null and void.

Upon the failure of this contract, proposals were again invited but none have been received.

Some of the contractors contended, for a time, that the deposit offered was a good one, and that they were entitled to the contract. But assurances have been received from those contractors, who are citizens of Texas, which includes all of them but two, that the company has never been organized, and that they consider the contract forfeited, so that the whole subject is still entirely within the control of the State.

It is a matter for your consideration whether this law shall be continued in force.

The great advantages that would accrue to Texas from this road, makes it a subject of deep interest to all classes of our citizens, and should induce all to favor the measure if a reasonable hope is entertained that it will be constructed under the law.

As a part of a great national highway from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean, it is probable that the liberal grant of land offered by this law, would secure its construction, provided similar inducements were offered for the construction of a road from the Mississippi river to its point of commencement, and also for its continuation from El Paso to the Pacific ocean. But as a mere local road from the eastern line of the State to El Paso it would not prove to be a profitable work, during the present generation.

As far west as the Colorado river this road would pass through a region that would, in a few years furnish sufficient transportation and travel to make it a paying road, but until a road shall have been constructed from the Mississippi river to its point of commencement, the uncertainty and expense that would attend the transportation of the iron and other materials to its point of

commencement, would be so great as to deter any company from undertaking even this part of it.

It is possible that a company may be found who will undertake the construction of this portion, provided they are allowed to construct a road upon the same terms from the head of permanent navigation on the waters of some of our bays, up to the line upon which it is proposed that the Pacific road shall run, and then east to the eastern line of the State, and west to the Colorado river.

This change would make an immense saving in the cost for the transportation of materials, for they could be brought to the point of commencement with the same facility that they could be carried to the Mississippi river, and from thence they could be transported over the road as it progresses, at an inconsiderable cost.

It will be found, however, that it cannot be constructed at the rate of one hundred miles for each year; few if any roads in the United States have been constructed at the rate of fifty miles a year, and it will severely tax the energies of any company, whatever may be its resources, to construct a road at that rate.

These reflections will suggest themselves to every one who takes a practical view of the subject, and should be considered by you in determining your action in regard to it.

The present is a favorable time to revise our legislation in regard to railroads generally.

We have chartered thirty seven railroad companies, and have held out greater inducements for their construction, than were ever before offered by any government.

It is now nearly four years since a bonus of eight sections of land was offered for each mile of railroad constructed, and nearly two years since the bonus was increased to sixteen sections a mile for each twenty five miles.

The result of these efforts has been, that we have one road of about thirty miles in operation, from Harrisburg on Buffalo Bayou to the neighborhood of Richmond on the Brazos river, and two others, "The Galveston and Red River Railway," and "the Galveston, Houston, and Henderson Railroad," in the course of construction, with a reasonable prospect, as I am in-

formed, of completing twenty five miles each by the 30th of January next, in time to avail themselves of the bonus of sixteen sections.

So far as I have been able to learn, no other company is now doing any work under its charter.

I do not think it advisable to renew any of the charters heretofore granted, or to give relief to any company organized under them, unless such company is now actually at work upon its road, and can show that it has expended a considerable amount of money thereon, and has the ability, within a very short period, to complete the number of miles necessary to entitle it to land under the laws now in force.

No new charter should be granted over a route where a road is already being constructed, or so near such route as materially to impair its value.

Every railroad company should be required to hold all meetings, for the election of its officers, within the State, and to have a majority of its directors resident citizens thereof, and also to keep its principal office for the management of its affairs within the State.

By adhering to these rules we shall correct many of the errors that have attended our past legislation on the subject.

I am unwilling that any new charters shall be granted to individuals for their own benefit. If new charters are necessary, let such routes be selected as the wants and business of the country require; designate their points of commencement and termination, and grant charters to commissioners who should be required to open books for the subscription of stock, after giving public notice. No subscription should be received unless five per cent. thereof is paid at the time of subscribing, and whenever the per centage on the capital stock subscribed shall amount to one hundred thousand dollars, let the commissioners be authorized to call a meeting of the subscribers and hold an election for officers; after which the subscribers should become a corporation with all such powers as are set forth in the charter. The commissioners should have no right under the charter, except as trustees, for the benefit of the subscribers when they organize and become a corporation, and should be

liable to a heavy penalty for receiving subscriptions of stock without the payment of five per cent. thereof in cash. The corporation thus organized should have authority from time to time to receive further subscriptions to its capital stock, to the full amount thereof, after giving public notice, the subscribers in all cases paying five per cent. of their stock at the time of subscribing.

If we pursue this course, our railroad charters will cease to be offered for sale by individuals who have obtained them for purposes of speculation. Those who wish to construct railroads, will obtain charters without paying a premium to the persons who have induced the Legislature to pass them, and we shall have no more companies organized without capital to impose upon the credulous and unwary, and stand in the way of those who have the disposition and means to construct railroads.

While so little has been accomplished under the policy heretofore pursued by the State for the encouragement of railroads, it becomes us to consider well what we may reasonably expect to be done hereafter by a continuance of this policy.

The Buffalo Bayou, Brazos and Colorado Railroad Company will undoubtedly complete its road as far as Richmond during the present year. The Galveston and Red River Railway Company, and the Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railroad Company expect to complete twenty-five miles of their respective roads by the 30th of January, 1856, so as to secure the bonus of sixteen sections to the mile.

These companies will then have to continue their roads at the rate of twenty-five miles a year or lose the benefit of the bonus of sixteen sections. If they fail to do this, the Harrisburg company and the Henderson company may still have the benefit of the bonus of eight sections, but the latter to secure even this, will have to construct an additional fifteen miles on or before the 1st of March, 1857, to save its charter.

The Houston company has already lost the benefit of the bonus of eight sections by failing to complete ten miles of its road within the time prescribed by its charter.

It is possible that some of the other companies may be able

to avail themselves of the sixteen section bonus, as only those which terminate on the Gulf coast, the Bays thereof, or on Buffalo Bayou, are subject to the provision which requires the construction of twenty-five miles on or before the 30th day of January, 1856, though it is believed that few, if any of them will ever build road enough to save their charters.

It is not generally supposed that either of the three companies before named will be able to construct their roads at the rate of twenty-five miles a year after the 30th of January next, so as to secure the sixteen section bonus, unless they are assisted by a liberal loan of money from the State. We canno therefore expect that much progress will be made, for many years to come, in the construction of railroads in this State by private corporations, beyond the completion of those tracks already graded, unless such a loan shall be authorized, or that provision of the act donating lands to railroads, which requires these companies to construct twenty-five miles a year, is repealed, for it is generally conceded that they will not, at present, yield a sufficient profit to induce individuals to invest capital in them, without the advantages to be derived from the land bonus.

The passage of a law, similar to that attempted at your last session, authorizing the loan of eight thousand dollars a mile, might enable these three companies, if they were to have the sole benefit of it, to extend their roads about seventy-five miles in the next three years; this, it is true, would afford great relief to those sections of the State accessible to them, but it would be those sections that are least in need of railroad facilities, for they are already nearest to a market, and would leave the greater part of the State, which is now suffering for want of such facilities, in the same destitute situation it now is, without any certain prospect of being supplied.

What our citizens need is a general system of Internal Improvements by railroads, river improvement and canals, that will extend its benefits to every section of the State as nearly as practicable, and give them a cheap transportation of their productions to a market.

This, I believe, can be obtained within the next fifteen years by a judicious use of our public domain, aided by a moderate internal improvement tax; which will never be onerous to our citizens, and for which they will be repaid ten fold in the increased value that such a system will give to their property, and the reduced rate at which they will be furnished a transportation of their productions and supplies.

Our unappropriated public domain is estimated at about one hundred millions of acres. Suppose that one half of it is valueless or unsuitable for cultivation, which is a large estimate, this will leave us fifty millions of acres, which at seventy-five cents an acre, is worth thirty-seven and a half millions of dollars.—This, every one must admit, is a small estimate of its value, and under a judicious system of sales, to be effected gradually as the wealth and population of the State is increased by the proposed improvements, it would undoubtedly sell for twice or three times that amount within fifteen years.

Let us suppose that it would cost six cents an acre, which is a large price, for the gradual survey of these lands, as it might be deemed advisable to bring them into market, the cost of surveying the whole hundred millions would be six millions of dollars. This would leave thirty-one and a half millions as their nett proceeds to be applied to works of internal improvement.

As this amount could be realized from them only by gradual sales through a course of years; in order to commence the system immediately, it would be necessary to anticipate their proceeds, by the use of the credit of the State, to sustain which an internal improvement tax of fifteen cents on each hundred dollars of the taxable property of the State would be required: Such a tax on the assessment for the year 1857, which is as early as the system could be commenced, would produce at least $268,000 00. This would pay an interest of six per cent. on four and one-quarter millions of dollars. The same tax, allowing the increase in the value of our taxable property to be one fourth less each year, than it has been since the year 1846, (and it would, without doubt, be much greater,) would produce in

1860, the sum of $377,000 00, which would pay an interest of six per cent. on six and one quarter millions of dollars.

This would enable us to use the credit of the State, to the amount of six and one-quarter millions of dollars before the close of the year 1860, without taking into account the annual earnings of the public works, as they progress, which would be at least three per cent. on their cost, equal to one-half of the interest we would be paying on the debt.

By that time we would be in receipt of a considerable amount each year from the sale of the public domain, increased in value by the improvements already made; and our works could proceed much more rapidly to completion.

In this way we might expend from twenty-five to thirty millions of dollars upon a general system of internal improvements within the next fifteen years, and at the end of that time the whole will have been paid by the proceeds of the sale o our public domain and the internal improvement tax.

The State would be the owner of the works constructed and could reduce the price for transportation and travel to such rates as would keep them in repair and pay the expense of operating them, or to such rates, as in addition to the cost of keeping them in repair and operating them, would produce an annual income of three per cent. upon their cost. This income amounting to over seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars might be applied to the expenses of the government, or to extend the system, until every neighborhood in the State would be furnished with ample railroad facilities.

All this may be accomplished and the wealth of our citizens increased hundreds of millions, simply by a prudent use of our public domain and an annual tax of fifteen cents on each hundred dollars of the taxable property of the State for the next fifteen years.

The system of works should consist of Railroads, improvements upon our navigable rivers, and canals connecting the different bays and streams along our coast.

Sixteen hundred miles of railroad can be so located as to accommodate every section of the State that is now inhabited,

and so that no neighborhood, (except the north-west corner of the State) that is not within a convenient distance of a navigable water course or a canal, shall be more than twenty five miles from a railroad.

The average cost of building and equipping railroads in this State will not exceed sixteen thousand dollars a mile, if paid for with money when the work is done: At this rate, sixteen hundred miles would cost twenty-five million and six hundred thousand dollars. This amount deducted from thirty-one and a half millions the estimated sum to be realized from our public domain in the next fifteen years, would leave five million and nine hundred thousand dollars, which could be applied to the improvement of our navigable rivers, cutting canals to connect all the bays and water courses, along our coast from the Sabine to the Rio Grande, and to any other objects of public utility.

This system, to be successful, must be made the permanent policy of the State and incorporated into our Constitution so as to be placed beyond the reach of change by legislation.

The routes over which railroads are to be constructed—the rivers whose navigation is to be improved, and the canals which are to be cut, must be specified—the lands must be set apart as an Internal Improvement fund—the time and manner of their survey and sale must be fixed—the Internal Improvement tax must be levied—provision must be made that the credit of the State shall never be used to an amount beyond what the internal improvement tax and the net earnings of the public works will pay the interest of—and that the works specified shall all be carried on simultaneously until their final completion—all this must be done by a constitutional provision—otherwise, it is possible, future Legislatures may undertake other works before those designated shall have been completed, or may become impatient with the progress of the works, and endeavor to hasten their completion by an increase of taxation, so as to make it oppressive, or by the use of State credit beyond the means provided for sustaining it, and thereby defeat the whole system.

Under this system the improvements will progress towards completion, simultaneously with the increase of the population and wealth of the State. Each mile of improvement will increase the value of the public lands and of individual property, and the ability of the State to prosecute the system will increase in the same ratio.

Such a system can never become oppressive under the restrictions proposed, because it can never draw from our citizens more than the internal improvement tax. This will be light compared with the benefits to be obtained. Our entire State and county tax, including this, will be but thirty-seven and a half cents on each hundred dollars, equal to three mills and seven and a half tenths of a mill on the dollar, which is less than is paid in three-fourths of the States of the Union.

The increase in the value of the taxable property of the State that will attend the prosecution of such a system, will enable us to reduce our tax for the ordinary expenses of the government, so that in a few years our aggregate State and County tax, including this, will not exceed twenty-two and a half cent on the hundred dollars, or two mills and two and a half tenths of a mill on the dollar, which is the same we now pay for State and county purposes.

Every citizen will be amply compensated for this tax, by the increased value its expenditure will give to his property, and the reduced price he will have to pay for transportation and travel.

It is true that the benefits will be greater to those living in the vicinity of the improvements than to those living remote from them; but as soon as the system is commenced, the relative taxation of those living near the improvements will also be greater, for all property in the State is taxed according to its value.

There will be no more inequality in the operation of this tax than attends every tax for the expenditures of the government: for those living in the vicinity where such expenditures are made, derive more benefit from them than those at a distance, by the increased value they give to their property; but this is,

in a measure, counterbalanced by the additional tax on the increased value.

Suppose for example, we take a section of country fifty miles in width, where the average value of land is now two dollars and fifty cents an acre; when this system commences each acre of this land will pay three mills and three quarters of a mill, for this internal improvement tax, but when a railroad shall have been commenced through the centre of this section, the lands within five miles of the road will be worth at least fifteen dollars an acre, those more than five and less than ten miles from it will be worth ten dollars; those more than ten and less than fifteen miles from it will be worth six dollars, and those more than fifteen and not exceeding twenty-five miles from it will be worth three dollars an acre; then each acre of this land, worth fifteen dollars, will pay two cents and one quarter of a cent; each acre worth ten dollars will pay one cent and a half; each acre worth six dollarswill pay nine mills, and each acre worth three dollars will pay four mills and a half a mill, yet all will pay the same rate of tax as at first, viz: fifteen cents on each hundred dollars worth of land.

Now each acre of this land pays five mills and five eighths of a mill towards our tax for State and county purposes, but when the above increased value is given to it by a railroad, the same amount of money produced by the present tax of twenty-two and and a half cents on the hundred dollars, may be raised by a tax of less than eight cents on the hundred dollars, or less than eight tenths of a mill on the dollar, each acre of this land worth fifteen dollars will then pay one cent and two mills towards this tax; each acre worth ten dollars will then pay eight mills; each acre worth six dollars will then pay four mills and eight tenths of a mill, and each acre worth three dollars will then pay two mills and four tenths of a mill.

This example clearly demonstrates that a general tax for internal improvements operates equally upon all in proportion to the benefits which they receive.

The present system of making donations of lands to railroads is much more unequal in its operation than their con-

struction by a general tax; for those sections of the State only, where the population and business promise to make railroads a profitable investment of capital, can avail themselves of these donations, while under a general system by the State, the paying sections of road will contribute towards the construction and support of roads in those sections where they will not pay a profit, and thus they will be extended to portions of the State, where they would not be constructed for many years, if ever, by individual capital.

The State may well afford to carry out a general system of internal improvements in this manner, even if in the aggregate they never pay more than the cost of their repairs and of operating them; for the State is compensated by the increase of its population, and the increased value of its public domain and taxable property, which constitute its real wealth.

One of the great advantages that our citizens will derive from having works of internal improvement constructed and owned by the State, will be, that instead of keeping the price of transportation and travel at such rates as will make them a source of profit, as would be done if they were owned by corporations, the State may, if it chooses, reduce these rates to the lowest point that will operate and keep them in repair.

No argument against the practicability of the plan here proposed, can be drawn from the experience of other States, which have attempted a general system of internal improvements, because none of them have attempted a system like this—none of them have; before commencing, limited and described the works to be constructed—none of them have first provided the means necessary to sustain their credit and declared that their credit should not be used more rapidly than these means would justify; all of which provisions are proposed to be made a part of our constitution beyond the reach of change by legislation; and above all, none of them have had the public domain, we possess, as a basis for the use of State credit and for its ultimate redemption.

I am so well satisfied that the interior portions of our State will not have the benefit of railroad facilities during the pre-

sent generation, unless they are constructed by the credit of the State, either wholly or in part, that, if the plan here proposed, cannot be adopted, I am willing to see certain leading routes designated, to which the State shall furnish the iron needed for their construction, after the road bed shall have been prepared, by corporations, for its reception, and take a mortgage upon the road for security; or I am willing to see the State become a subscriber for one-half of the capital stock necessary to construct them, whenever the other half is taken by individuals.

But in adopting either of these plans, the same constitutional provisions would be necessary to establish a proper basis to sustain the credit of the State and to guard against its improvident use, as if the State were to undertake to construct them herself.

Neither of the plans here proposed originated with me; the main features of each have been advocated by others with far more ability than I can bring to the subject.

I believe any one of these plans to be entirely practicable, but I think the first would be the most successful, and would diffuse its benefits more generally and more equally than either of the others.

If any better mode can be suggested for the use of State credit in works of internal improvement than here proposed, it will receive from me a cordial support.

Those who have not maturely reflected on this subject, may think that a system of internal improvements, requiring an expenditure of twenty-five to thirty millions of dollars, is too great an undertaking for a State containing three or four hundred thousand inhabitants, but they should recollect that only a small portion of this expenditure is to be made immediately, that it is to be extended over a period of years, before the expiration of which our population, under the impulse that such a system will give to immigration, will have increased to at least one and a half millions, and that we have a public domain, such as no State, of our population, ever before possessed, which will be trebled in value by these improvements, and will be more than sufficient to meet this large expenditure,

They may also think that fifteen years is a long period to wait for the promised benefits of this grand system of internal improvements, which is to produce these great results, but they should also recollect that few great enterprises are ever completed during the age of those who commenced them.

Twenty-five millions of dollars is a small amount compared with the future resources of this great State, with its extensive public domain, when its agricultural and mineral wealth shall have been fully developed; and fifteen years is but a short period in its history.

Those who legislate for such a State, should keep in view, not only the present moment, but the future, when it will be inhabited by thousands where it now has hundreds, and when its exports shall have increased an hundred fold.

Our immense public domain is being rapidly wasted for unimportant purposes. When it shall have entirely passed from us without our having secured any substantial and permanent benefits from it, as it surely will, unless we soon make an appropriation of it, to some object of great public utility, like that here proposed—and when time shall have fully disclosed its real value, posterity will wonder that this generation should have done so little to develope the resources and increase the wealth and political importance of the State, with the magnificent means at its disposal.

I have dwelt upon this subject at length, because my views in regard to it have been misunderstood by some and misrepresented by others, and I felt that it was a duty I owed to myself, to place them properly before you and the people of the State.

Neither of these, nor any other system of internal improvements should be undertaken, requiring an expenditure of money by the State, which would have to be supplied by taxation, until it has first been submitted to and received the sanction of the people.

Nor do I think that any such system should be commenced, until a constitutional provision has been adopted, securing it from hasty and improvident legislation.

The use of the credit of the State in either of the modes

here proposed, will require an amendment of our Constitution. This may be done, either by calling a Convention for that purpose, or by your proposing an amendment to be voted on by the people. I should be unwilling, however, to see a convention called until a vote of the people is first obtained in favor of such a measure.

Should these views be unacceptable to you, I shall interpose no obstacles to such constitutional measures as you may adopt, to aid in the construction of railways and in the improvement of our navigable rivers, if they shall seem likely to effect those objects, and the interest of the State is properly guarded.

An election was held on the first Monday in August 1854, in each county of the State, in accordance with the provisions of "An Act regulating and restraining the sale of spirituous liquors," passed 11th of February 1854, to determine whether their sale in less quantity than one quart, should be abolished or continued. Most of the counties voted, by large majorities, to abolish such sales, and since that time, no licenses, authorizing such sales, have been issued, except in the counties that voted for continuing them.

Owing to a supposed defect in the Act, in not providing any penalty against those selling without license, the law has been inoperative, and spirituous liquors have been sold in small quantities in every county in the State, to as great an extent as they were previously.

When this act was presented to me on the last day of the session, I considered it too defective to accomplish the object intended by it, but there was not time to return it to the Legislature and have another passed, supplying its defects.

Believing that it might do some good by obtaining an expression of public sentiment on the subject, which would influence future legislation, I allowed it to become a law.

It is very probable that the result of the vote upon this question, may induce an effort, at this session, to pass what is commonly called a prohibitory liquor law, such as has been tried in many of the Northern States.

While I do not question the Constitutional power of the

Legislature to enact a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in this State, except so far as their sale may be authorized by importers under the laws of the United States, I feel constrained to say that, I believe the enactment of such a law would be impolitic.

A close observation of the operation of such laws and their effect upon society and upon the evil which they propose to remedy, has produced the conviction with me, that their influence is anything but salutary.

Although called prohibitory, none of them do entirely prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquours. They all proceed upon the principle, that their sale for some purposes is necessary, and all authorize their sale for mechanical, medicinal and sacramental purposes.

While a sale of liquors is allowed for any purpose, it is extremely difficult to confine it to the purposes specified, and in attempting to do this, it has been found necessary to establish and encourage a system of espionage into the affairs of individuals inconsistent with the proper enjoyment of personal liberty, and a system of harsh and unusual penalties and punishment entirely disproportioned to the offence committed.

Even these extraordinary means have failed to stop the use of intoxicating liquors, or to prevent intoxication, if we may judge by the records of the criminal courts of those States where such laws are in force.

I do not believe that such a law could be generally enforced in this State. But I think that many of the evils caused by the use of intoxicating liquors may be prevented by a judicious law regulating their sale.

Most of these evils arise from their use at public places where their exposure for sale in small quantities, tempts thousands to use them to excess, who would otherwise never indulge in their use.

It is their excessive use at such places, that causes most of the personal rencounters which produce so much misery in society.

If you can pass a law that will effectually close all drinking

shops, you will free society from a large portion of the evils that follow the use of intoxicating liquors. Such a law will accord with the sentiments of nine-tenths of our population, and may be rigidly enforced.

During the summer of the year 1854, the commanding General of this Department made a requisition upon me, for six companies of mounted volunteers, to be mustered into the service of the United States at this place, on the 1st of November of that year, for the purpose of a campaign against those tribes of Indians upon our frontier, who were at that time making frequent hostile inroads into our settlements.

To meet this requisition, the State was divided into six districts, and one company of volunteers was called for from each.

Our citizens manifested their usual alacrity to serve their country, and these companies were promptly raised and marched to this place at the time appointed.

Owing to an apparent contradiction between the orders issued by the War Department at Washington City, and those issued by Gen. Smith, who was then absent from his headquarters on a trip to El Paso, no provision was made for mustering these companies into the United States service, when they reached here, at the time appointed.

Believing that the services of these companies were needed on the frontier, and that they would be received by Gen. Smith when he returned to his headquarters, I caused them to be mustered into the service of the State, and kept embodied until I could learn his determination.

Upon the return of the Commanding General, as I had anticipated, they were received by him and mustered into the service of the United States, at different periods between the 1st and 25th of December.

A contract was made with Mr. S. M. Swenson, a merchant of this city, for most of the subsistence, forage and transportation, and all of the camp equipage, ammunition, &c., required for these troops while they should be retained in the service of the State. Those articles not furnished by Mr. Swenson, which formed but a small portion, were purchased from persons at the points where they were needed, with the assurance that they

should be paid for them either by the General Goverment, or by this State.

An appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars was subsequently obtained from Congress by our Senators and Representatives, to pay the expenses of sustaining these volunteers previous to the time they were mustered into the service of the United States, and Mr. Swenson, upon application at the United States Treasury, was paid the amount due him under his contract. The other parties, who are numerous, but whose several claims are small, have not yet been paid. The appropriation is ample to cover them, but they have delayed sending them to Washington City for payment, on account of the trouble and expense that would attend such a course, and I recommend that an appropriation be made for their payment from our Treasury, and that the vouchers be forwarded and collected from the United Treasury for the benefit of the State.

It is perhaps proper I should state, that in making the contract with Mr. Swenson, it was understood that he should receive an advance of thirty-five hundred dollars, and that for the residue, which amounted to about seventeen thousand dollars, he should wait until an appropriation could be obtained for his payment.

In order to make this advance, an unexpended balance of an appropriation, made by the last Legislature, for the rescue of captives in the hands of the Indians, was drawn from the Treasury on my own responsibility, which was subsequently returned by Mr. Swenson after he was paid by the United States.

An appropriation was also made by Congress, which was considered sufficient to pay these troops for their services, but when they were paid off, the Paymasters only had orders to pay them from the time they were actually mustered into the service of the United States, consequently they have never been paid for the time that elapsed, between the 1st of November, when they should have been mustered by the United States, and the time when they were so mustered.

The United States will, without doubt, when this matter is properly understood at Washington, (and measures have been taken to have it explained there,) pay them also for this service,

but in the mean time these men are deprived of what is justly due them.

They were called from their homes at great expense, strictly in accordance with the law and the authority vested in the Commanding General of the Department. It was not their fault that they were not received into the United States service at the time originally designated by Gen. Smith, for they were promptly at the place appointed, and they should not longer be deprived of their pay.

I therefore recommend that an appropriation be made for their payment from our Treasury, and that measures be taken to have the amount refunded from the United States Treasury.

A statement of the amount that will be required, to pay these men for this service, and also for the balance of the supplies furnished for their use, will be transmitted to you, as soon as it can be prepared.

A large portion of the mounted troops which the General Government has for several years kept upon our frontier for its protection, was withdrawn and sent to Kansas during the past summer.

When these troops left, the Indians immediately renewed their hostile incursions into our settlements, several of our citizens were killed and a large number of horses were stolen by them.

Application was made to General Smith to have a mounted force sent to the neighborhood where these outrages were committed, but there was a long delay in getting a reply to this application, and in the mean time, our citizens were suffering so severely from the frequent attacks of the Indians, that I felt it to be my duty to call out a company of mounted volunteers under the command of Capt. J. H. Callahan, who were mustered into service about the 20th of July last, to serve for three months unless sooner discharged.

Capt. Callahan was directed to repair to such point, in the vicinity of the settlements on the Guadalupe river and its tributaries in Comal and Bexar counties, and on the upper Blanco, as would enable him to give them full protection against the

Indians, and to keep his command actively engaged in ranging in that vicinity, unless it should become necessary to pursue any marauding parties of Indians, that might be found in that neighborhood, in which case, he was authorized to follow them up and chastize them wherever they might be found.

He was subsequently directed to divide his company and send a portion to such point as would afford protection to the settlements in Medina and Bexar counties, West and South of the point where he was at first directed to employ his entire company.

This company had several skirmishes with small parties of Indians, killed many of them and re captured many horses which they had taken from our citizens.

Their services were unremitted and efficient, and tended in a great degree, to restore confidence to the settlements near which they were stationed.

But depredations continued to be committed, and several of our citizens were killed by small parties of Indians in Bexar, Goliad and other counties, distant from the operations of this company.

Small parties of our citizens rallied, pursued and had several encounters with them, in which many Indians were killed, who proved to be Lipans from the West side of the Rio Grande.

Near the close of September, Capt, Callahan, with a portion of his company and other citizens, who volunteered for the occasion, from Hays, Guadalupe, Bexar, and other counties, consisting in all of about 115 men, pursued a party of Lipan Indians, who had been into our settlements committing depredations, to and across the Rio Grande, where he had an encounter with a large party of Indians assisted by many citizens of Mexico, in which, four of his command were killed and several wounded, and a large number of the force opposed to him were killed and wounded.

The Indians, and those citizens of Mexico who acted with them, retreated from the battle ground, and during the night Captain Callahan fell back and occupied Piedras Negros, a small village on the west bank of the Rio Grande, opposite Eagle Pass.

He was subsequently attacked by a large body of Indians and Mexicans, and to secure a safe retreat to this bank ot the Rio Grande, it became necessary for him to set fire to the village.

His report shows that he crossed the Rio Grande, in pursuit of Lipan Indians who were escaping with property stolen from our citizens, and I think he was fully justified in doing so, by the laws of nations.

It appears too, from this report, that the Mexican authorities favored and assisted his crossing; with a knowledge that it was his intention to attack the Lipans.

Upon the receipt of Captain Callahan's first report, giving an account of the circumstances that attended his pursuit of these Indians into Mexico, his engagement with the Indians, and those who aided them, and his subsequent occupation of the village of Piedras Negros, a letter was addressed to him, justifying his conduct, with the exception of his occupation of hat village, which was condemned, and he was directed to retire at once, within the limits of this State.

It is much to be regretted that it afterwards became necessary for him to burn that village, in order to secure his retreat. Bu the fact that the Mexican authorities made common cause with the Indians against his command, and thereby created the necessity for this act, excuses his conduct in this regard.

Captain Callahan was selected to command this company on account of his frequent service upon the frontier, and his known prudence and discretion in the execution of his duty.

His high character for integrity forbids the idea that he had any other object in entering Mexico, than that avowed, which was to recapture from those Indians the stolen property that they carried with them in their retreat from this State, and to punish them for the wrongs they had done to our citizens. It is also a sure guaranty, that he would never have authorized any wanton destruction of the property of citizens of Mexico.

The term of service of this company expired on the 20th of October, upon which day they were discharged. The supplies necessary for their support were obtained on a credit, and at

reasonable prices. A statement of their cost, accompanied with proper vouchers, will shortly be transmitted to you, together with a muster roll of the company, and I rely with confidence upon your making the necessary appropriations to pay for these supplies, and also for the services of the company.

Many applications have been made recently, to have additional companies of volunteers called into service, but as I had assurances from Gen. Smith, that he would place three companies of mounted riflemen at such points as would give protection to those settlements which have been infested by the Indians, as soon as they could be brought up from the Rio Grande, which would be as early as volunteers could be equipt ped for the service, I did not feel that I would be justified in granting these applications.

Assurances have been recently received from Gen. Smith, that the Rifle Regiment will soon be filled up to its full complement, and that an additional regiment of mounted men, under the command of Col. Johnston, is now on its way to this State. With this force, properly employed, he will he able to give that protection to our frontier, which it has failed to receive for the last eighteen months.

It is proper, in this connection, I should inform you, tha efforts have been made by some of our citizens, since the return of Capt. Callahan's command from the Rio Grande, to raise volunteers to enter Mexico and chastise the Lipan Indians, and that the 15th of this month has been designated as the day for the assembling of all those who are willing to engage in such an enterprise.

While I believe that we shall continue to be troubled more or less, by this tribe of Indians, until they are punished by our government, or properly restrained by the government of Mexico, I am unwilling to see unauthorized bodies of armed men undertake such an expedition, and have taken every opportunity to discourage our citizens from giving countenance to it.

The United States government has selected and surveyed twelve leagues of land, for the use and benefit of the several Indian tribes residing within the limits of this State, under the

provisions of "An Act relating to the Indians of Texas," approved the 6th of February, 1854.

These lands have been delineated upon the map of the land district in which they are situated, and a plot of them with the field notes of their survey have been returned and designated upon the map of the General Land Office.

They were selected in two tracts, one of eight leagues, a short distance below Fort Belknap on the Brazos river, and the other of four leagues on the Clear Fork of the Brazos, about thirty-five miles distant from the first.

The officer who made these selections and surveys for the United States, was of opinion that they were to contain twelve leagues by English measure, instead of Mexican measure, by which our lands have always been surveyed.

Two plots and two sets of field notes, one by the former and the other by the latter measure, were returned by this officer, and both were delineated on the map at the General Land Office.

It is the desire of the United States that the survey by English measure should be confirmed, as it will give a quantity better suited to the purpose for which it is designed.

Upon a former occasion I recommended a change of the Constitution, providing for an increase of the number of Judges of our Supreme Court. Though the last Legislature failed to act upon that recommendation, I still adhere to the opinion which I then entertained; and subsequent observation and reflection have tended to strengthen the conviction that such a change would prove beneficial to the interest of the State.

The reasons which induced the Convention to fix the number at three, no longer exist.

The cases to be decided were then few—now they are numerous; the labors that were then to be performed were comparatively light—now they are exceedingly onerous. The business of that Court has recently so much increased, that fears are now entertained that appeals will in future remain for years undecided. Protracted litigation is universally regarded as against public policy; and in practice it has too often proved ruinous to both of the parties litigant.

In order to avoid this evil, I again advise that there shall be submitted to the people, a proposition so to amend the Constitution, as to authorize the election of two additional Judges for that Court.

I also advise that the salaries of the Judges of our Supreme Court be increased; they are now entirely inadequate to the labors which they are necessarily compelled to perform. Justice and policy both require that they be increased.

Should a State, with a large surplus capital, be willing to avail itself of labor, of learning and of talent, and give in return what only amounts to a bare subsistence? Can Government expend its treasure for any object more laudable than that which is best calculated to secure a wise and a just administration of its laws? Surely no contracted views should prevent our Government from obtaining the highest qualifications for that tribunal, whose decision disposes of the property the liberty and the lives of its citizens.

I also recommend an increase of the salaries of our District Judges. Their labors are great, their salaries are low, and they ought to be increased.

I also recommend that provision be made for obtaining an accurate geological survey of the State. We owe it to ourselves to remain no longer ignorant of the properties of our soil By expending an inconsiderable sum, we can bring to bear upon it, the lights of science, and can know its component parts, its capacities and its hidden treasures.

The Reports of the Directors and Superintendent of the State Penitentiary, and also of the Disbursing Agent thereof, for the years 1854 and 1855, are herewith transmitted for your information.

They show that the affairs of this institution have been ably and successfully managed. Your attention is respectfully invited to the many judicious recommendations contained in the report for the present year, and particularly to that of the Directors, in relation to an increase of the salaries of the Superintendent and disbursing agent. The duties of these offices are arduous and responsible. The present incumbents have shown themselves to be well fitted for their stations, and they

should receive a compensation for their services commensurate with their value.

In publishing these reports, I would suggest, that the items in the account of the disbursing agent be omitted, as they are of no value to the general reader, while they add greatly to the cost of publication.

I would also suggest that one hundred extra copies be printed for the use of the Superintendent to enable him to exchange reports with other institutions of a similar character, by which means he will become thoroughly acquainted with all the improvements in the management of prisons in other States and countries.

The Reports of the different Executive Officers at this place will be transmitted for your information, as soon as they can be completed. The present law requires them to include all transactions of their offices up to the 1st day of November; this does not allow sufficient time to have these reports made out and sent in to the Legislature at the commencement of the session. I would therefore suggest, that the law be changed so as to require their reports to be made up to the 1st of October, instead of the 1st of November.

A short report of the Commissioners appointed "to prepare a Code amending, supplying, revising, digesting and arranging the laws of this State," is herewith submitted, showing the progress that has been been made in the work, and that it will be prepared for submission to you by the 20th of the present month.

I had matured a plan for the issuance of head right, bounty and donation certificates for land, different from that heretofore pursued, under which it has been discovered that numerous frauds have been committed, but the recent burning of the office of the Adjutant General has destroyed most of the original evidences upon which bounty and donation certificates were issued.

This has made the plan matured, inapplicable to the means that now exist for proving such claims.

I hope, however, within a short period, to be able to recom-

mend some safe mode of proceeding in the absence of this lost evidence, and to present a plan by which, in issuing certificates, the rights of individuals and of the State will be properly guarded.

The evidence discovered in regard to the frauds that have been perpetrated in obtaining bounty and donation certificates, and also in relation to forgeries of head right certificates, will be made the subject of a special message.

I submit herewith a communication from the Adjutant General, in relation to the burning of his office, which contains all the information that has been obtained in regard to the cause of this lamentable occurrence, by which all the original archives of the War and Navy Departments of the late Republic of Texas have been destroyed.

This great loss should impress upon us the necessity of providing suitable fire proof buildings for the security of the remaining archives of our government.

The records and papers of the State Department are now kept in an insecure wooden building, equally as liable to be fired either by accident or by an incendiary, as were those of the Adjutant General's office.

The building now occupied for the General Land Office, although sufficient for the period of its erection, is now entirely nadequate for the increased business of that office ; a large, and more commodious building would greatly facilitate the despatch of its business, and the present Land Office would furnish ample rooms for those of our public offices that are not now supplied with fire proof buildings.

This matter is commended to your consideration with a confidence that you will adopt all reasonable means to insure the safety of our public records.

I also think it would be a measure of prudence to have a person employed to guard our public buildings, at night; this precaution might prevent them from being broken open and their contents destroyed or taken away, and would render them more secure from fire.

Many measures of general and local interest, that will require

your action, have probably been overlooked in this communication, but they will undoubtedly occur to you and receive that attention which their importance demands.

I have endeavored to give you such information of the state of our government, as I thought would be useful, and to recommend such measures as seem necessary to remedy the defects that exist in its administration—to promote the moral and social welfare of our people, and to develope and improve our internal resources.

It remains with ouy to give effect to such of them as you may approve, and to originate others which you may think likely to secure the welfare and happiness of our citizens.

E. M. PEASE.

NOVEMBER 5th, 1855.

REPORT.

AUSTIN, JAN. 7TH. 1856.

To the Hon. Sixth Legislature of the State of Texas:

We the undersigned, appointed by an Act of Feb. 14th, 1854, as a Board of Commissioners, to have general supervision over the Commissioners, Superintendent and Contractors for the erection of a State Capitol, beg leave to report: That immediately after the adjournment of the last Legislature, we entered upon the discharge of the duties assigned us under said Act, by assuming a general direction over those employed in the erection of the building, and controlling the payments made to Contractors, from that time, according to the amount of work executed by them respectively.

We would respectfully state, that neither of us claim to any knowledge of the science of architecture, and as we were appointed supervisory Commissioners, after the larger part of the work upon the building was done, and the general design and finish before the Hon. Legislature, and as we never had before us the working plan or specifications of the building, our duties were chiefly confined to examining the work as it progressed, o see that it was executed in a workman-like manner, and so managing the appropriations as to keep within our control a sufficient amount of the funds, as to carry out what we believed the chief object of our appointment—that was the completion of the building in time for the meeting of your bodies on the 1st November, last, leaving it to the original Commissioners and Superintendent, to see that the minutia of plan and specifications were adhered to and carried out by the Contractors.

As part of this report, we transmit herewith a statement furnished by the Comptroller, exhibiting the expenditures made from the appropriations for the erection of the Capitol since our appointment, and the balance thereof, yet undrawn.

We have been furnished with the final report of Commissoners Jas. G. Swisher and S. G. Haynie, accompanied with the report of James Doyle, Esq., Superintendent of the building. Mr. Doyle says in his report, that Q. J. Nichols, the Contractor for the stone work of the building, had completed in a substantial and workman-like manner, that portion of the work that came within the provisions of his contract; also, that A. H. Cooke, Esq., the contractor for the wood work, &c., of the building, had with the exception of the hanging of the windows with weights, completed in an acceptable manner, that portion of the work of the building, coming within the provisions of his contract. The statements of the Superintendent are fully endorsed by the Commissioners, as correct and satisfactory to them.

The Commissioners send, accompanying their report, the Record Book of proceedings with such drafts and plans of the building as they had in their possession. The book of proceedings contains a descriptive plan of the building, the working specifications, and the several contracts made for the erection of the same.

The reports, together with the accompaniments, we herewith transmit, for the consideration of the Legislature.

We do not consider ourselves as competent to endorse the statements of the Commissioners and Superintendent as to the completion of building according to the plan and specifications, for the reason that we have not the scientific and practical knowledge that is essential to qualify us for such an endorsememt.

There is one feature in the appearance of the building, constituting in our minds a fault that we do not believe was included in the original design. We allude to the projection of the gable ends of the two principal roofs, above the parapet walls—giving in our judgment, an unfinished aspect to the building, not consistent with architectural beauty. After a careful read-

ing of the descriptive plan and specifications of the building we are still at a loss to state where the responsibility of this defect or fault if any, should rest.

We would further report, that upon examining the specifications it was found that no provisions had been made for painting the tin roof of the building, and being assured by Commissioners Swisher and Haynie, that it was not contemplated or included in the contract of A. H. Cooke, and having satisfied ourselves that the painting of the roof could not by implication either in law or in accordance with usage, be considered as a part of Mr. Cooke's contract, and believing it absolutely essential that the tin roof should be well painted, in order to prevent it from rust, we felt it our duty to make the best arrangements we could to have the work done. Accordingly it was agreed to, on our part, with Mr. Cook, that he should paint the roof, and we to represent the matter to the Legislature for the purpose of obtaining him reasonable compensation therefor.

The work was done, by Mr. Cook, and so far as we are able to judge, in a good and substantial manner, and we therefor refer Mr. Cook's claim to your honorable bodies, with a reliance on your sense of justice, to make provision for his payment.

We have also, further to report, that the fund set aside, out of the general appropriation for the specific purposes of paying the salaries of the two Commissioners and Superintendent, was exhausted on the 6th day of June, 1854, since which time those officers have received no pay for their services. These services continued up to the date of their respective final reports, and we would respectfully recommend that appropriation be made for the balances due thereon,

Respectfully, your obedient servants.

E. M. PEASE,
JAMES B. SHAW,—
JAS. H. RAYMOND.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, November 10th, 1854.

To his Excellency, E. M. Pease,

Governor of the State:

SIR:—The "Act to establish a system of common schools" makes it the duty of the Treasurer of the State, to report to the Governor annually on or before the 1st day of October, the condition of the "Common School Fund." This duty on my part has been delayed this year, owing to the failure of a large number of Assessors and Collectors in making their returns to this office on or before the first day of July, as they were required to do by law, of the census of the scholastic population of their respestive counties. In fact, when the time arrived under the law, the 1st of September last, for the first distribution of the money, but about one half of the Assessors and Collectors had complied with the requirements of the law.—Deeming it impracticable to make a distribution under such circumstances, I, on the 1st day of September, sent a circular letter to the Chief Justices of all the counties, to the effect, that owing to the facts above stated, the distribution of the school money would be delayed until the first of this month, and urging the Chief Justices of those counties from which no returns had been made, to adopt some course that would ensure the returns here by the 1st inst. Notwithstanding this long delay, there are still eleven counties from which no returns have been received, and the scholastic population of which I have been compelled to estimate in order to make such a distribution now, as the law seems to require. The basis adopted for estimating the counties not returned, was taking the poll taxes of such counties, and comparing them with some adjoining county, or some county the situation of which was considered as parallel in increase of population.

The amount of Special School Fund in the Treasury for distribution up to the first day of September, 1854, is $41,666,67.

This amount is the interest upon the $2,000,000 U. S. Bonds set aside for a permanent fund, from the 31st day of January, 1854, (the date of the approval of the "Act to establish a system of common schools") to the first day of July, 1854—one of the dates the semi-annual coupons upon the Bonds are due and payable.

The sum of $50,587 06 is taken for distribution, reserving in the Treasury $1,079 61 for the payment of contingent expenses incident to the law, and to correct and supply deficiencies, if any, in the counties where the number of children (for want of returns) have been estimated.

Any balance not required to meet expenses, or to make up deficiencies, will be transferred to the Special School Fund for 1855, as also any amount that may be retained from counties where the estimate proves to be above the returns, when received.

The amounts set aside for counties where the Assessors and Collectors have failed to return the number of scholastic population, will be reserved and held in this office until the returns are made, at which time the estimated amounts will be substituted by the amount found due upon the returns which will then be paid in accordance with the provisions of the law.

As a part of this report I transmit to your Excellency, accompanying this, an abstract statement, showing the number of children in each county, as per returns and estimates, and also the amount due each county, under the pro-rata distribution provided for by the Common School Law.

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JAS. H. RAYMOND,

Treasurer & Ex-Officio Sup. of Common Schools.

STATEMENT "B,"

OF THE PAYMENTS AND BALANCES OF THE SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND FOR THE YEAR 1854.

COUNTIES.	*Amounts paid upon County Orders*		*Amounts subject to County Orders.*		*Amounts held upon estimat's no returns r'd*		*Balance in the Treasury.*	
Anderson,	610	08						
Angelina,	84	94	133	30			133	30
Austin,			447	64			447	64
Bastrop,	544	36						
Bell,	427	18						
Bosque,					117	80	117	80
Bexar,	898	38						
Bowie,	180	00	128	76			128	76
Brazoria,	223	82						
Brazos,	143	22						
Burleson,			320	54			320	54
Burnet,	208	94						
Caldwell,	355	88						
Calhoun,	197	78						
Cameron,	585	90						
Cass,					722	30	722	30
Cherokee,	1,488	00						
Collin,	832	04						
Colorado,	324	88						
Comal,	392	46						
Cooke,	245	52						
Corryell,			117	80			117	80
Dallas,	755	78						
Denton,	292	64						
De Witt,	267	84						
Ellis,	312	48						
El Paso,	378	20						
Falls,			178	56			178	56
Fannin,					796	70	796	70
Fayette,	769	42						
Fort Bend,					190	34	190	34
Freestone,			393	08			393	08
Galveston,			295	74			295	74
Gillespie,	258	54						
Goliad,			180	42			180	42
Gonzales,	530	72						
Am't car'd forw'd	$11,311	00	$2,195	84	$1,827	14	$4,022	98

COUNTIES.	Amounts paid upon County Orders.		Amounts subject to County Orders.		Amounts held upon estimat's no returns r'd		Balance in the Treasury.	
Am't br't forw'd	11,311	00	2,195	84	1,827	14	4,022	98
Grayson,	900	86						
Grimes,	467	48						
Guadalupe,	440	82						
Harris,			849	40			849	40
Harrison,			786	16			786	16
Hays,	127	72						
Henderson,			337	90			337	90
Hidalgo,					193	44	193	44
Hill,	172	98						
Hopkins,	720	44						
Houston,	493	52						
Hunt,	578	46						
Jackson,	172	36						
Jasper,	354	02						
Jefferson,			185	38			185	38
Johnson,	154	38						
Karnes,			104	16			104	16
Kaufman,			323	02			323	02
Kinney,								
Lamar,			629	92			629	92
La Vaca,	411	68						
Leon,			337	28			337	28
Liberty,	282	72						
Limestone,			355	26			355	26
McLennan,			208	32			208	32
Madison,	179	18						
Matagorda,	179	80						
Medina,	126	48						
Milam,	206	46						
Montgomery,	236	22						
Nacogdoches,	781	82						
Navarro,	514	60						
Newton,	90	00	210	70			210	70
Nueces,			288	92			288	92
Orange,			125	86			125	86
Panola,	655	34						
Polk,	297	60						
Presidio,								
Am't car'd forw'd	$19,855	94	$6,938	12	$2,020	58	$8,958	70

Remarks.—Kinney, not organized; Presidio, not organized.

COUNTIES.	Amounts paid upon County Orders.		Amounts subject to County Orders.		Amounts held upon estimat's no returns r'd		Balance in the Treasury.	
Am't br't forw'd	19,855	94	6,938	12	2,020	58	8,958	70
Red River,	484	84						
Refugio,			130	82			130	82
Robertson,			243	04			243	04
Rusk,					2,396	30	2,396	30
Sabine,	262	26						
San Augustine,	385	64						
San Patricio,					130	82	130	82
Shelby,	517	08						
Smith,	1,094	30						
Starr,					315	38	315	58
Tarrant,	360	84						
Titus,	639	22						
Travis,	530	72						
Trinity,	135	16						
Tyler,			397	42			397	42
Upshur,	788	02						
Uvalde,								
Van Zandt,			350	30			350	30
Victoria,			285	82			285	82
Walker,			481	12			481	12
Washington,	812	20						
Webb,					153	14	153	14
Wharton,			78	74			78	74
Williamson,	523	90						
Wood,	354	02						
	$26,744	14	$8,905	38	$5,016	42	$13,921	80

Remarks.—Uvalde, not organized.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, October 1st, 1855.

JAS. H. RAYMOND,
Treasurer & Ex-Officio Sup. of C. S.

STATEMENT

OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE "SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND" FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1st SEPTEMBER, 1854

COUNTIES.	No of Children returned.	No. of Children estimat'd	Amount due		Remarks.
Anderson,	984		610	08	
Angelina,	352		218	24	
Austin,	722		447	64	
Bastrop,	878		544	36	
Bell,	689		427	18	
Bosque,		190	117	80	Assessment Rolls not received; assumed to be same as Corryell.
Bexar,	1,449		898	38	
Bowie,	498		308	76	
Brazoria,	361		223	82	
Brazos,	231		143	22	
Burleson,	517		320	54	
Burnet,	337		208	94	
Caldwell,	574		355	88	
Calhoun,	319		197	78	
Cameron,	945		585	90	
Cass,		1,165	722	30	Poll tax 677, rated by Harrison County.
Cherokee,	2,400		1,488	00	
Collin,	1,342		832	04	
Colorado,	524		324	88	
Comal,	633		392	46	
Cooke,	396		245	52	
Corryell,	190		117	80	
Dallas,	1,219		755	78	
Denton,	472		292	64	
De Witt,	432		267	84	
Ellis,	504		312	48	
El Paso,	610		378	20	
Falls,	288		178	56	
Fannin,		1,285	796	70	Poll tax 677, r'd by Lamar County.
Fayette,		1,237	766	94	" " 758, " Bastrop "
Fort Bend,		307	190	34	" " 227, " Brazoria "
Freestone,	634		393	08	
Galveston,	477		295	74	
Gillespie,	417		258	54	
Goliad,	291		180	42	
Gonzales,	856		530	72	
Am't carried up	20,541	4,184	$15,329	50	

COUNTIES.	No. of Children returned.	No. of Children estimat'd	Amount due.		Remarks.
Am'ts bro't up	20,541	4,184	$15,329	50	
Grayson,	1,453		900	86	
Grimes,	754		467	48	
Guadalupe,	711		440	82	
Harris,		1,250	775	00	Estimated by A. & C., as per letter of do.
Harrison,	1,268		786	16	
Hays,	206		127	72	
Henderson,	545		337	90	
Hidalgo,		312	193	44	Poll tax 250, rated by Cameron County.
Hill,	279		172	98	
Hopkins,	1,162		720	44	
Houston,	796		493	52	
Hunt,	933		578	46	
Jackson,	278		172	36	
Jasper,	571		354	02	
Jefferson,	299		185	38	
Johnson,	249		154	38	
Karnes,	168		104	16	
Kaufman,	521		323	02	
Kinney,					Not organized.
Lamar,	1,016		629	92	
La Vaca,	664		411	68	
Leon,	544		337	28	
Liberty,	456		282	72	
Limestone,	573		355	26	
McLennan,	336		208	32	
Madison,	289		179	18	
Matagorda,	290		179	80	
Medina,	204		126	48	
Milam,	333		206	46	
Montgomery,	381		236	22	
Nacogdoches,	1,261		781	82	
Navario,	830		514	60	
Newton,	485		300	70	
Nueces,	466		288	92	
Orange,	203		125	86	
Panola,	1,057		655	34	
Polk,	480		297	60	
Presidio,					Not organized.
Red River,	782		484	84	
Am'ts carri'd up	41,384	5,746	$29,220	60	

COUNTIES.	No. of Children returned.	No. of Children estimat'd	Amount due.		Remarks.
Am'ts bro't up	41,384	5,746	$29,220	60	
Refugio,	211		130	82	
Robertson,	392		243	04	
Rusk,		3,865	2,396	30	Poll tax 1496, rated by Cherokee.
Sabine,	423		262	26	
San Augustine,	622		385	64	
San Patricio,		211	130	82	Assessment Rolls not received; assumed to be same as Refugio.
Shelby,	834		517	08	
Smith,	1,765		1,094	30	
Starr,		509	315	58	Poll tax 280, rated by Nueces County.
Tarrant,	582		360	84	
Titus,	1,031		639	22	
Travis,	856		530	72	
Trinity,	218		135	16	
Tyler,	641		397	42	
Upshur,	1,271		788	02	
Uvalde,					Not organized.
Van Zandt,	565		350	30	
Victoria,	461		285	82	
Walker,	776		481	12	
Washington,	1,310		812	20	
Webb,		247	153	14	Poll tax 136, rated by Nueces County.
Wharton,	127		78	74	
Williamson,	845		523	90	
Wood,	571		354	02	
	54,885	10,578	$40,587	06	
Total number	10,578				
of children..	65,463	$40,578,06—62c. per child.			

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, November 10th, 1854.

JAS. H. RAYMOND,

Treasurer, & Ex-Officio S. C. S.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, October 1st, 1855.

To his Excellency, E. M. Pease,

Governor of the State:

SIR:—In obedience to the duties imposed upon the Treasurer of the State, by the 16th section of "an act to establish a system of schools," approved 31st January, 1854, I herewith submit an annual statement of the condition of the school funds, for the fiscal year ending on the 31st day of August, 1855.

By reference to the report of this Office to your Excellency, under date November 10th, 1854, it will be seen that the total of the "Special School Fund," was, for 1854, $41,666,67

Of this amount there was taken for distribution the sum of	$40,587,06	
Reserved for contingencies,	1,079,61	

Document marked "A," accompanying this, exhibits the amount of special school fund for 1854, paid to the counties, upon the orders of the county courts, the amount in the Treasury, held subject to orders, the amount placed upon estimates, to the credit of counties, from which no census returns were received, and the balance of the fund in the Treasury.

Of the amount reserved for contingent expenses, &c., there was transferred to the counties the difference due, between the estimated scholastic population, and the number returned by the Assessor and Collector, viz:

Harris county estimated 1250, returned 1370, 120 *a* 62 cts. per child,	$74,40	
Fayette county estimated 1237, return'd 1241, 4 *a* 62 cts. per child,	2,48	
		$76,88
To which add the amount first distributed,		$40,587,06
Makes the total distribution,		$40,663,94
And a contingent fund of,		1,002,73
Aggregate fund, 1854,		$41,666,67

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Amount of Specie received from one-tenth taxes, during ten months, to August 31st, 1855,	$15,670,29	
Amount of Specie received in collection of Interest Coupons, due January 1st and July 1st, 1855, upon $53,000 U. S. 5 per cent. bonds,	2,650,00	18,320,29
		$122,358,86

No Disbursements.

Balance in the Treasury, August 31st, 1855 :

In U. S. 5 per cent. bonds,	$53,000,00
In Specie,	69,358,86
	$122,358,86

The statement above shows the increase of the General School Fund to be eighteen thousand, three hundred and twenty 29-100 dollars, ($18,320 29-100) during a period of ten months; it will probably amount on the 31st of October inst, the close of the fiscal year of the Treasury Office, to about twenty thousand, five hundred dollars, ($20,500,) making at that date the grand aggregate of the fund one hundred and twenty-four thousand, five hundred and thirty-eight 57-100 dollars, $124,538,57).

The Chief Justices of the following counties have made to this office their annual statement, as required by section 13th of the school law, showing the amount of money due for tuition in their respective counties, from patrons exempt under the 12th section of the law, to wit:

COUNTIES.	TO WHAT DATE.	NO. OF DISTRICTS.	NO. OF PATRONS.	AMOUNT.
Dallas	August 1st, 1855	1	2	21 27
Gillespie	" 31st, 1855	1	4	33 55
Harrison	" 1st, 1854	1	3	8 37
McLennan	" 31st, 1855	2	4	104 52
Sabine	" " 1855	3	..	74 53
Travis	" " 1855	1	7	62 00
	Making a total of			$304 22

Which amount will be paid out of the General School Fund, upon the order of the County Courts, in favor of the County Treasurers of the several counties named. In addition to the above, the Chief Justice of Austin county has returned a statement for one district in his county, showing one hundred and twenty-eight 50-100 dollars ($128 50-100) due for the patrons exempt in the one district. I have delayed giving Austin county credit and authority to draw for the amount, until the Chief Justice forwards to this office a statement that will embrace the whole amount due that county, from the General School Fund for the specified year.

Recapitulation of school moneys in the Treasurer's Office, August 31st, 1855, to wit:

Permanent Special School Fund, in U. S. 5 per cent. bonds,	$2,000,000,00
Balance of Special School Fund for 1854,	13,921,80
Special School Fund for 1855,	100,607,91
General School Fund,	122,358,86
Total,	$2,236,888,57

As Ex-Officio Superintendent of Common Schools, it will be my duty to make a statement to the Honorable Legislature, that convenes at this place on the first Monday in next month, of the operations of the school law, with such suggestions as may be deemed proper; I will therefore refrain from stating in this report such objections as are raised, and such modifications as are thought to be advisable and necessary to the school law.

I have the honor to be

Your Excellency's obedient servant,

JAS. H. RAYMOND,

Treasurer & Ex-Officio S. C. S.

STATEMENT "A,"

OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND FOR THE YEAR 1855.

COUNTIES.	Re-turned.	No Re-turns for 1855.	Amount due		Remarks.
Anderson,		1033	1549	50	Estimated by adding per centage of gen'l increase upon returns of 1854.
Angelina,	304		456	00	
Austin,	768		1152	00	
Bastrop,		921	1381	50	" " "
Bell,		723	1084	50	" " "
Bosque,	101		151	50	
Bexar,		1521	2281	50	" " "
Bowie,	518		777	00	
Brazoria,	352		528	00	
Brazos,	204		306	00	
Burleson,	2586		879	00	
Burnet,	410		615	00	
Caldwell,		602	903	00	" " "
Calhoun,	315		472	50	
Cameron,	899		1348	50	
Cass,	632		948	00	
Cherokee,	2403		3604	50	
Collin,	1178		1767	00	
Colorado,	547		820	50	
Comal,	708		1062	00	
Cooke,	639		958	50	
Corryell,	347		520	50	
Dallas,	1321		1981	50	
Denton,	632		948	00	
De Witt,		458	687	00	" " "
Ellis,	514		771	00	
El Paso,		640	960	00	" " "
Falls,	337		505	50	
Fannin,		1285	1927	50	No returns for either year. and estimated as the previous year, '54.
Fayette,	1254		1881	00	
Fort Bend,	334		501	00	
Freestone,	587		880	50	
Galveston,		505	757	50	Estimated by adding per centage of general increase upon returns of '54.
Gillespie,	532		798	00	
Goliad,	312		468	00	
Gonzales,	853		1279	50	
Am't car'd for'd	17,387	7,688	$37,910	58	

COUNTIES.	Re-turned.	No Re-turns for 1855.	Amount due.	Remarks.
Am't br't for'd	17,387	7688	$37,910 58	
Grayson,	1337		2005 50	
Grimes,	783		1174 50	
Guadalupe,	754		1131 00	
Harris,		1438	2157 00	Estimated by adding per centage of general increase upon returns of '54.
Harrison,	1184		1776 00	
Hays,	231		346 50	
Henderson,	515		772 50	
Hidalgo,		312	468 00	No returns for either year, and estimated same as 1854.
Hill,	373		559 50	
Hopkins,	1110		1665 00	
Houston,	764		1146 00	
Hunt,	788		1182 00	
Jackson,	284		426 00	
Jasper,	500		750 00	
Jefferson,	296		444 00	
Johnson,	316		474 00	
Karnes,		176	264 00	Estimated by adding per centage of general increase upon returns of 1854.
Kaufman,	524		786 00	
Kinney,				
Lamar,	1157		1735 50	
La Vaca,	742		1113 00	
Leon,		571	856 50	" " "
Liberty,	440		660 00	
Limestone,	636		954 00	
McLennan,	477		715 50	
Madison,	256		384 00	
Matagorda,	236		354 00	
Medina,	298		447 00	
Milam,	482		723 00	
Montgomery,		400	600 00	" " "
Nacogdoches,	1342		2013 00	
Navarro,		877	1315 50	" " "
Newton,	459		688 50	
Nueces,	313		469 50	
Orange,		223	334 50	" " "
Panola,	1078		1617 00	
Polk,		504	756 00	
Presidio,				Not organized.
Am't ca'd for'd	35,062	12,789	$70,645 50	

COUNTIES.	Re-turned.	No Re-turns for 1855.	Amount due.	Remarks.
Am't br't for'd	35,062	12,789	$70,645 50	
Red River,	728		1092 00	
Refugio,		221	331 50	Est'd by adding per centage of g'l increase upon returns of '54.
Robertson,		411	616 50	" " " " "
Rusk,	1950		2925 00	
Sabine,	373		559 50	
San Augustine,	608		912 00	
San Patricio,	108		162 00	
Shelby,	952		1428 00	
Smith,	1958		2937 00	
Starr,		509	763 50	No returns for either 1854 or '55, estimated same as 1854
Tarrant,	1071		1606 50	
Titus,	1358		2037 00	
Travis,	980		1470 00	
Trinity,		228	342 00	Estimated by adding per centage of general increase upon returns of '54.
Tyler,	650		975 00	
Upshur,	1400		2100 00	
Uvalde,				Not organized.
Van Zandt,	602		903 00	
Victoria,	434		651 00	
Walker,	756		1134 00	
Washington,	1408		2112 00	
Webb,		274	411 00	No returns for either year, estimated same as 1854.
Wharton,	118		177 00	
Williamson,	916		1374 00	
Wood,	686		1029 00	
	52,318	13,832	$98,734 00	

Total number of children, 66,150, *a* 1 50 per child, $99,225,00

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, Oct. 1st, 1855.

JAS. H. RAYMOND,

Treasurer & Ex-Officio S. of C. S.

TREASURER'S REPORT

TO ACCOMPANY GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE,

AND OTHER DOCUMENTS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
AUSTIN, Texas, 30th Nov., 1856.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

and House of Representatives:

I send you herewith the annual reports of the State Treasurer for the years 1854 and 1855.

And also the Biennial Report of the Comptroller of Public Accounts for the years 1854 and 1855.

These reports contain much valuable information in regard to the financial condition of the State, and many recommendations worthy of careful consideration.

E. M. PEASE.

TREASURER'S REPORT—1854.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Austin Dec. 4th, 1854.

To His Excellency, E. M. Pease,

Governor of the State of Texas:

SIR:—Agreeably to the provisions of "An Act defining the duties of State Treasurer," approved 19th March, 1846. the undersigned State Treasurer submits an exact statement of the condition and situation of the Treasury, and of the balance of money remaining therein, to the credit of the State, (or otherwise) with a summary of the receipts and payments of the Treasury for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31st, 1854, viz:

STATE ACCOUNT.

GENERAL FUND.

Amount on hand October 31st, 1853, viz:						
In U. S. 5 per ct. Bonds			3,575,000	00		
" Specie, interest upon U. S. Bonds	166,832	23				
" specie, premium upon U. S. Bonds	47,047	50				
" specie, proceeds of sale of U. S. Bonds	176,422	21	390,301	94	3,965,301	94

RECEIPTS.

Am't brought forward					3,965,301	94
From dues of late Republic, promissory notes	1,122	49				
From dues of late Republic, specie	1,488	89	2,611	38		
From revenue of State for taxes prior to '52 & miscellaneous sources for 1854, specie	24,510	10				
Less one-tenth for school fund	2,450	99	22,059	11		
From interest upon U. S 5 per cent. Bonds upon $3,575,000 for July 1853, coupons	89,375	00				
Upon $375,000 for Jan. 1854, coupons,	89,375	00				
Upon $1,575,000 July 1854, coupons,	39,375	00				
Upon $2,000,000 for mo. of Jan. 1854	8,333	33	226,458	33	251,128	82
					4,216,430	76

DISBURSEMENTS.

Upon Treasury warrants against appropriations.						
In specie from revenue of late Republic	1,488	89				
In specie from revenue of State	22,059	11				
In specie, interest upon U. S. Bonds	271,681	48	295,229	48		
Upon debt of late Republic of Texas in specie proceeds of the sale of U. S. Bonds	176,422	21				
In specie, premium upon U. S. Bonds	2,593	60	179,015	81	474,245	29
Amount carried forward					474,245	29

DISBURSEMENTS—Continued.

Amount brought forward	474,245	29		
Delivered to Comptroller.				
In promissory notes from revenue of late Republic,	1,122	49		
Transferred.				
From general fund to special school fund, Jan. 31st 1854, by virtue of "an act to establish a system of schools,"	2,000,000	00		
			2,475,367	78
Balance.				
In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds	1,575,000	00		
In specie, interest on U. S. Bonds	121,609	08		
In specie, premium upon U. S. bonds	44,453	90	1,741,062	98
			4,216,430	76

GENERAL SCHOOL FUND.

Amount on hand Oct. 31st, 1853, viz:				
In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds,	53,000	00		
In specie	29,193	33	82,193	33
Receipts.				
From interest on $53,000, U. S. Bonds, 18 months, specie,	3,975	00		
From one-tenth taxes prior to 1852, miscellaneous revenue 1854	2,450	99		
From one-tenth taxes for 1852-3-4	15,419	25	21,845	24
			104,038	57

NO DISBURSEMENTS.

BALANCE.

In U. S. 5 per cent bonds	53,000	00		
In specie	51,038	57	104,038	57
			104,038	57

SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

By transfer from general fund under authority of "an act to establish a system of schools," approved 31st, 1854, in U.S. 5 per ct. Bonds	2,000,000	00		
By interest on said Bonds from Jan. 31st to July 1st, 1854, in specie	41,666	67	2,041,666	67
			2,041,666	67

NO DISBURSEMENT.

BALANCE.

In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds, permanent fund	2,000,000	00		
In specie, for distribution to counti's	41,666	67	2,041,666	67
			2,041,666	67

SPECIAL DEPOSITS.

COUNTY TAXES.

Amount on hand Oct. 31st, 1853	12,147	46
Receipts.		
From collections by assessors, and collectors, and comptroller,	11,325	57
	23,473	03

DISBURSEMENTS.

Upon treasury warrants drawn against the fund	8,929	22
Transfer.		
To account of Railroad tax, Bexar county	121	78
Balance.		
In specie	14,422	03
	23,473	03

ASSESSOR'S FEES.

Amount on hand Oct. 31st, 1853, in specie	837	83
Receipts.		
From collections made by Comptroller	129	67
	967	50

DISBURSEMENTS.

Upon treasury warrants drawn against the fund			168	44
Balance.				
In specie,			799	06
			967	50

RAIL ROAD TAX, BEXAR COUNTY.

Amount on hand Oct. 31st, 1853, in specie			750	61
Receipts.				
From collections made by assessors, and collectors, and comptroller,	826	79		
By transfer from county taxes, deposited in error to said act	121	78	948	57
			1,699	18

DISBURSEMENTS.

Upon treasury warrants drawn against said fund			872	39
Balance.				
In specie			826	79
			1,699	18

SETTLEMENT OF SUCCESSIONS.

Amount on hand Oct. 31st, 1853, viz:				
In specie	5,415	36		
In promissory notes	1,025	21	6,440	57
Receipts.				
From administrators in settlement of estates			2,856	36
			9,296	93

NO DISBURSEMENT.

BALANCE.

In specie	8,271	72		
In promissory notes	1,025	21	9,296	93
			9,296	93

PROPERTY ESCHEATED TO THE STATE.

RECEIPTS.

From sale of property escheated in Travis county,	230	40

NO DISBURSEMENT.

BALANCE.

In specie	230	40

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS

On account of General fund	251,128	82		
" " " General school fund	21,845	24		
" " " Special school fund	2,041,666	67		
" " " County taxes	11,325	57		
" " " Assessor's fees	129	67		
" " " R. Road tax, Bexar county	948	57		
" " " Settlement of successions	2,856	36		
" " " Property escheated to State	230	40	2,330,131	30
Total receipts			2,330,131	30
Add balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1853,			4,067,671	74
Grand total,			6,397,803	04

DISBURSEMENTS.

On account of General fund	2,475,367	78		
" " " County taxes	9,051	00		
" " " Assessors fees	168	44		
" " " Rail Road tax Bexar county	872	39	2,485,459	61
Balance Oct. 31st, 1854.				
On account of General fund	1,741,062	98		
" " " General school fund	104,038	57		
" " " Special school fund	2,041,666	67		
" " " County taxes	14,422	03		
Amount carried forward	3,901,190	25	2,485,459	61

RECAPITULATION—Continued.

Amount brought forward	3,901,190	25	2,485,459	61
On account of Assessors fees	799	06		
" " " Rail Road tax, Bexar county	826	79		
" " " Settlement of successions	9,296	93		
" " " Property escheated to State	230	40	3,912,343	43
Grand total			6,397,803	04

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES H. RAYMOND,
State Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT—1855.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Austin November 28th, 1855.

To His Excellency, E. M. Pease,

Governor of the State of Texas:

SIR:—In obedience to the requirements of "An Act defining the duties of State Treasurer," approved 19th March, 1846, I have the honor to submit herewith an exact statement of the condition and situation of the Treasury, and of the balance of money remaining therein to the credit of the State, as also to the credit of the several Special Deposit accounts, with a summary of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending October 31st, 1855:

STATE ACCOUNT.

GENERAL FUND.

Balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1854, viz:						
In U. S. 5 per cent. bonds			1,575,000	00		
In specie, interest on U. S. bonds	121,609	08				
In specie, premium on U. S. bonds	44,453	90	166,062	98	1,741,062	98
Receipts.						
From revenue of late Republic, in specie,	3,691	40				
In Exchequer bills	74	67				
In promissory notes	972	80	4,738	87		
From revenue of State in specie, from taxes prior to 1852, and miscellaneous sources	36,254	36				
In specie refunded by Gov. E. M. Pease, to appu. 117 H, to credit of State revenue	3,500	00	39,754	36		
In specie, from interest upon $1,575,000 00 U. S. Bonds for 12 months			78,750	00	123,243	23
					1,864,306	21

DISBURSEMENTS.

Upon Treasury warrants, drawn against appropriations, viz:				
In specie received from revenue of late Republic	3,691	40		
In specie received from revenue of State	36,123	71		
In specie received from interest on U. S. Bonds	160,562	48	200,467	59
Upon public debt of late Republic, in specie, premium upon U. S Bonds, viz:				
On audited paper, first class	846	32		
Amount carried forward	846	32	200,467	59

DISBURSEMENTS—Continued.

Amount forward	846	32	200,467	59
On 10 per cent. funded debt, 5th Feb, 1840, 1st class,	150	00		
On interest upon 10 per cent. 5th Feb., 1840	150	62		
On second class debt	9,871	68		
On third class debt	421	33		
On second class "B" debt	32,972	41	44,412	36
Amount of cash—one-tenth of the receipts from revenue of State on account of taxes prior to 1852, and miscellaneous sources, transferred to account of general school fund			3,630	65
Amount of cash—government liabilities received in collection of revenue of late Republic, and delivered to the Comptroller as vouchers for settlement, viz:				
In exchequer bills	74	67		
In promissory notes	972	80	1,047	47
Balance of cash on hand, viz:				
In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds	1,575,000	00		
In specie, interest on U. S. Bonds	39,706	60		
In specie, premium on U. S. Bonds	41	54	1,614,748	14
			1,864,306	21

GENERAL SCHOOL FUND.

Balance of cash on hand Oct. 31st, 1854:				
In U. S. 5 per cent bonds	53,000	00		
In specie	51,038	57	104,038	57
Receipts.				
From interest upon $53,000 00 U. S. Bonds, for Jan. and July, 1855, coupons	2,650	00		
From one-tenth taxes prior to 1852, and miscellaneous sources, receipts of revenue of State	3,630	65		
From one-tenth taxes upon assessments for the years 1852–53–54 and '55	18,348	97	24,629	62
			128,668	19

NO DISBURSEMENT.

Balance on hand:				
In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds	53,000	00		
In specie	75,668	19	128,668	19
			128,668	19

SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND.

Balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1854, viz:				
Permanent fund.				
In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds	2,000,000	00		
For distribution on account of '54				
In specie, 5 months interest on $2,000,000 00	41,666	67	2,041,666	67
Receipts.				
For distribution on account of '55				
In specie, 12 months interest on $2,000,000 00 U. S. Bonds, Jan. and July 1855, coupons	100,000	00		
In specie, transferred from special school fund of 1854, being unexpended balance of amount set aside for contingent expenses	607	91	100,607	91
			2,142,274	58

DISBURSEMENTS.

Specie—special school fund of 1854:				
Upon treasury warrants drawn upon county orders	26,742	14		
Upon treasury warrants for contingent expenses	394	82		
Transferred.				
Specie, transferred to special school fund, 1855	607	91	27,744	87
Balance on hand.				
In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds, permanent fund	2,000,000	00		
In specie, disbursable on account of 1854	13,921	80		
In specie, disbursable on account of 1855	100,607	91	2,114,529	71
			2,142,274	58

SPECIAL DEPOSITES.

COUNTY TAXES.

Balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1854, specie	14,422	03	14,422	03
Receipts.				
Upon deposite warrants from Assessors, & Collector, & Comptroller,			9,708	34
			24,130	37

DISBURSEMENTS.

Upon treasury warrants drawn on county orders	10,931	53
Balance on hand:		
In specie	13,198	84
	24,130	37

FEES DUE ASSESSORS AND COLLECTORS.

Balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1854, specie	799	06
Receipts.		
Upon deposit warrants from Comptroller	3	50
	802	56

NO DISBURSEMENTS.

BALANCE ON HAND.

In specie	802	56

RAIL ROAD TAX, BEXAR COUNTY.

Balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1854, specie,	826	79
Receipts.		
Upon deposite warrants from Assessors, and Collectors, and Comptroller,	768	52
	1,595	31

DISBURSEMENTS.

Upon treasury warrants in favor of Bexar county	826	79
Balance on hand:		
In specie	768	52
	1,595	31

SETTLEMENT OF ESTATES.

Balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1854:				
In specie	8,271	72		
In promissory notes	1,025	21	9,296	93
Receipts.				
In specie upon deposite warrants from administr's			2,172	50
			11,469	43

NO DISBURSEMENTS.

BALANCE ON HAND.

In specie	10,444	22		
In promissory notes	1,026	21	11,469	43
			11,469	43

SALE OF PROPERTY ESCHEATED TO STATE.

Balance on hand Oct. 31st, 1854			230	40
No Receipts.				
			230	40

NO DISBURSEMENTS.

BALANCE ON HAND.

In specie			230	40
			230	40

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

On General or State account	123,243	23		
On General school fund acct.	24,629	62		
On Special school fund acct.	100,000	00		
On account of county taxes	9,708	34		
" " " Assessor's fees	3	50		
" " " Rail R. tax, Bexar co.	768	52		
" " " Settlement of estates	2,172	50		
Total Receipts	260,525	71		
Add balance on hand Oct. 31st, '54	3,912,343	43	4,172,869	14
Grand total			4,172,869	14

DISBURSEMENTS.

On General and State account			249,558	07		
On Special school fund acct.			27,136	96		
On County tax acct.			10,931	53		
On Railroad tax, Bexar county			826	79	288,453	35
Balance Cash in Treasury.						
	U. S. Bonds		Specie, &c			
On General or State account	1,575,000	00	39,748	14		
On general school fund account	53,000	00	75,668	19		
On special school fund account	2,000,000	00	114,529	71		
On county tax acct			13,198	84		
On fees due assessors collectors			802	56		
On railroad tax, Bexar county account			768	52		
On settlement of estates' account.			11,469	43		
On escheated property account			230	40		
Total balance	3,628,000	00	256,415	79	3,884,415	79
Grand total					4,172,869	14

It will be seen, by referring to the General or State account, that the balance of specie in the Treasury, on the 31st day of Oct. last, to meet the appropriations and expenses of Government, was thirty-nine thousand seven hundred and forty eight dollars, and 14 cents, ($39,748 14.) This sum has been largely drafted upon to meet expenses for the month of November, leaving little or no specie in the Treasury, that can be legitimately used for ordinary purposes. I think that at least seventy thousand of the seventy-five thousand ($75,000 00) in specie belonging to the General School Fund should be immediately transferred to State account for disbursement, and replaced by U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds, now standing to the credit of State account. This would still leave sufficient specie to the credit of

the General School Fund to meet the drafts that are being presented under the provisions of the 12th and 13th sections of "An Act to establish a system of schools."

By thus transferring the seventy thousand dollars ($70,000 00) that amount, with thirty-nine thousand three hundred and seventy-five ($39,375 00) interest that will be due on the 1st Jan., 1856, upon one million five hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars ($1,575,000 00,)U. S. Bonds, will give this office sufficient disbursable funds, to meet all the demands against it, until the close of the present session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,

JAMES H. RAYMOND,

Treasurer.

COMPTROLLER'S REPORT,

FOR THE YEARS 1854-55,

ACCOMPANYING GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

REPORT.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, November 28th, 1855.

To the Governor of the State of Texas.

In compliance with law, I submit the following report, showing the operations of this Office for the two years terminating October 31, 1855, with such remarks on the subject of our State Finances as are conceived proper.

The receipts and expenditures of the State in available means from October 31st, 1853, to October 31st, 1855, were as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Rec'd from ordinary sources of revenue, such as taxes, &c.,		$103,212	97		
Interest on U S. 5 per cent. Bonds,		453,500	00		
Means in the Treasury in Oct. 31, 1853, viz: In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds,	$3,575,000,00				
In specie,	390,301,94	3,965,301	94	4,522,014	91

EXPENDITURES.

Am't disbursed by Treasurer on account of expenditures of State,	495,697	07		
Am't disbursed by Treasurer on account of debt of late Republic,	223,428	17		
Am't U. S. Bonds transferred to Special School Fund under Act of Jan. 31, 1854,	2,000,000	00		
Am't of specie, Int. on U. S. Bonds transferred to Special School Fund,	141,666	67		
Am't of specie, Int. on U. S. Bonds transferred to General School	6,625	00		
Am't one-tenth revenue of State transferred to General School Fund,	39,849	86	2,907,266	77

Leaving in the Treasury on 31st October, 1855, of disbursable means, a balance of $1,614,748 14, all of which will more fully appear by reference to the accompanying statement marked "A."

ESTIMATE of Receipts and Expenditures for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1856.

RECEIPTS.

Am't of taxes, &c., due prior to 1852, which will probably be received, and receipts from other sources, such as Land Dues, Patent Fees, Austin Lots, &c.	23,440	00		
Am't Int. on $1,575,000 U. S. 5 per ct. Bonds in the Treasury, from 1st July 1855, to 31st October, 1856,	105,000	00	128,440	00
Balance in Treasury Oct. 31, 1855,			1,614,748	14
Total estimated means for the support of the Government for the year ending Oct. 31, 1856.			1,743,188	14

EXPENDITURES

The estimated expenses of the State for the year ending Oct. 31, 1856, are as follows:

Legislative Department,	119,260	00		
Judicial,	51,500	00		
Executive,	52,250	00		
Support of Penitentiary,	23,500	00		
Erection of new Land Office and Improvement of public grounds,	56,000	00		
Miscellaneous expenses,	30,700	00		
	333,210	00		
Balance due for payment of the Public debt of the late Republic,	347,459	03	680,669	03
Leaving in the Treasury, on the 31st Oct., 1856, an estimated balance of			1,062,519	11

All of which will more fully appear by reference to the accompanying statement marked "G."

From the foregoing statement the disbursements by the Treasurer for the past two years, as well as the estimated expenses

for the coming year appear large; but in both instances this is principally attributable to the payments made and to be made, on account of the public debt; the expense attending the erection of public buildings at the seat of Government, and the procuring of machinery for a Factory at the State Penitentiary.

It will now become necessary to look to the revenue from taxation for means for the support of the Government, as the interest on the unappropriated United States Bonds in the Treasury will not be adequate to this end; and to undertake to use the principal would soon absorb the amount, to say nothing of the doubtful policy of such a course.

The law transferring the State taxas to the counties will expire with the present year's tax, so that the taxes for 1856, only, can be looked to, and they will not be available to any extent, until the month of June, 1857. In the mean time, means must be provided to supply the wants of the Treasury from other sources. I propose to do so in this way:

By An Act, Approved February 16th, 1852, one million of dollars of United States Bonds were directed to be sold, to meet the appropriations made at that Session of the Legislature, for the payment of the public debt. Of this sum, only $800,000 were sold, as it was considered that that amount would answer our present purposes at least; thus leaving $200,000 of Bonds, which can now be disposed of. With this amount and the interest which will accrue on the bonds on hand, I think the Treasury can be supplied until the taxes of 1856 become available. It might, however, be advisable to have authority to sell a further amount—say, of $80,000 or $100,000, which would answer all the demands likely to be made.

As there is a large amount of School Fund in the Treasury, in specie, I would propose using it, and substituting United States Bonds in its stead, in order that the State may have the benefit of the accruing interest, and when any portion of the School Fund, so used, should be called for, the Bonds could be readily converted into money. By this means the State would receive the interest until the time required to meet her demands; whereas, by disposing of the Bonds in bulk, the proceeds might, for a time, lie profitless in the Treasury.

Should the proposition submitted to Texas by the United States—in relation to the settlement of that portion of our public debt known as "the Revenue Debt"—be accepted, we shall receive from the United States $299,140 97, being the amount of principal and interest of the 8 and 10 per cent bonds paid by Texas, which, according to the proposition is to be refunded

With this amount, and that which will otherwise be received into the Treasury, it would not be necessary to dispose of any portion of the bonds on hand.

It will be observed from the foregoing remarks, that I do not provide means for the full amount of the estimated liabilities for the year ending in October next. The larger portion of the public debt reported as unpaid, is not likely to be called for within that time, as the parties to whom it is mainly owing are either absent from the State or deceased, and the claimants, or their heirs, are unadvised of the allowance. The claims were audited upon the Muster Rolls, and the vouchers on file, without the knowledge of the parties interested, and the certificates yet remain uncalled for in the Auditor's Office.

In preparing the statement of the demands on the Treasury, I included all amounts which were a charge against it, without any reference to the probability of their being called for immediately.

In the statement of the unliquidated public debt, as heretofore shown, is included the sum of $167,990 61 cts. of the unpaid principal and interest of the 8 and 10 per cent Bonds, which were unconditionally appropriated for in 1852, from the payment of which sum the State will be released, in addition to receiving $299,140 97, the principal and interest of those bonds already paid, if the Act of Congress for the settlement of our public debt is accepted.

RECEIPTS and Expenditures on account of School Funds and Special Deposits.

GENERAL SCHOOL FUND.

Am't rec'd, being one-tenth aggregate revenue of State for two years		39,849	86	
Am't rec'd, int. on $53,000 U. S. 5 per cent bonds to 1st July, 1855,		6,625	00	
Am't in the Treasury on Oct. 31, 1853, to-wit: In U. S. 5 per cent bonds	$53,000 00			
In specie,	29,193 33	82,193	33	
Am't in the Treasury on Oct. 31, 1855, to credit of General School Fund, consisting of $53,000 U. S. Bonds, and $75,668 19 in specie,				128,668 19

Amount brought forward,			128,668	19
SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND.				
RECEIPTS.				
Am't of U. S. bonds transferred from State acc't under authority of act approved Jan. 31st, 1854.	2,000,000	00		
Am't Int. collected on same to 1st July, 1855,	141,666	67		
Total receipts,	2,141,666	67		
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Am't disburs'd for two years ending Oct. 31st, 1855,	27,136	96		
Bal. in the Treasury Oct. 31st, 1855. of special School Fund, consisting of $2,000,000 U. S. Bonds, and $114,529 71 in specie,			2,114,529	71
COUNTY TAXES.				
RECEIPTS.				
Am't rec'd by Comptroller for two years ending Oct. 31st, 1855,	20,912	13		
Am't in the Treasury Oct. 31st, 1853,	12,147	46		
Total receipts,	33,059	59		
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Am't disburs'd for two years ending Oct. 31st, 1855.	19,860	75		
Bal. in Treasury of Co. taxes, on 31st 1855.			13,198	84
BEXAR COUNTY RAIL-ROAD TAX.				
RECEIPTS.				
Am't rec'd for two years ending Oct. 31st, 1855,	1,717	09		
Bal. in the Treasury Oct. 31st, 1853.	750	61		
Total receipts.	2,467	70		
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Am't disburs'd for two years ending October 31, 1855.	1,699	18		
Bal. in Treasury on Oct. 31, 1855, of Railroad tax.			768	52
Carried forward,			$2,257,165	26

Brought forward,	$		2,257,165	26
ASSESSORS FEES.				
RECEIPTS.				
Am't rec'd for two years ending Oct. 31, 1855.	133	17		
Bal. in the Treasury on Oct. 31, 1853.	837	83		
Total receipts,	971	00		
DISBURSEMENTS.				
Am't disburs'd for two years ending Oct. 31, 1855.	168	44		
Bal. in Treasury of Assessors Fees, Oct. 31, 1855.			802	56

SETTLEMENT OF ESTATES AND PROPERTY ESCHEATED

RECEIPTS.

Am't rec'd for two years ending Oct. 31, 1855,	5,259	26		
Am't in Treasury on 31st, Oct. 1853, to-wit: In Treas'y notes $1,025,21 In specie, 5,415,36	6,440	57		
Bal. in the Treasury Oct. 31st, 1855, consisting of $1,025,21 in Treasury notes, and $10,674,62, in specie, of which $230,40 is of property escheated.			11,699	83
Showing an aggregate balance in the Treasury on Oct. 31, 1855, on account of School Fund and other specie deposits, of . . . . . $			2,269,667	65

Composed of $2,053,000 U. S. 5 per ct. Bonds; $215,642 44 in specie, and $1025 21 Texas Treasury notes, all of which will more fully appear by reference to statement accompanying marked "B."

PUBLIC DEBT.

Presuming that the proposition from the Government of the United States for the settlement of that portion of our public debt comprehended in the Act of Sept. 9th, 1850, as being secured by a pledge of Impost duties, by payment of $7,750,000 to our creditors pro-rata, on condition that Texas will relinquish her claim to the five millions of dollars in bonds yet due

her under the Act before referred to, will be a subject of consideration by our Legislature, I have prepared the subjoined synopsis of this portion of our debt, showing the aggregate principal and interest thereof to the 1st of July 1850; the rate per dollar at which the several issues were adjusted by Texas; the amount which the pro-rata proposed by Congress would pay; and the excess in each instance where it occurs, of the xas adjustment over the pro-rata distribution;

CHARACTER OF DEBT.

10 per cent Bonds under Funding Act June 7th, 1837.....
10 do do do do do do do (Swartwout.)....
10 per cent Bonds under $5,000,000 Loan Acts for Naval vessels (Dawson Debt,).....
10 per cent Bonds under $5,000,000 Loan Acts for Naval vessels (Holford Debt,).....
10 per cent Bonds under $5,000,000 Loan Acts for loan from U. S. Bank,.....
10 per cent Bonds under Funding Act Feb. 1840.....
8 do do do do do do do. ....
8 do do Treasury Bonds under Act Feb.5th, 1840.....
10 per cent Treasury Notes under Act June 7th, 1837,(1st issue.)
10 1o do do do do do do do do (2d issue.)
Treasury Notes without int. under Act June 19, 1839, (3d issue.)

Total..... .....

Should the proposition in question be accepted, the State will receive, as before stated, $299,140 97, the amount of the 8 and 10 per cent Bonds which has been paid, and be relieved from the additional amount of $167,990 61, the balance due on the appropriations heretofore made for the payment of this class of debt; both of which amounts are provided for by the Act of Congress.

It will be observed from the foregoing statement, that in some instances the amount proposed to be paid under the pro-rata system, falls short of the amount as adjusted by Texas, and it might be considered but justice to the parties holding this class of debt, that the deficiency, which amounts to $123,217,56, should be made up. This could be done out of the amount to be received, and have a balance of $175,923, 41.

As the debt, which may be termed "the Domestic debt" has been almost discharged; only requiring an appropriation of $21,383,52, to meet the claims now audited, and a small sum supposed not to exceed $50,000, of claims unaudited, it is exceedingly desirable that the other class of debt—that above given, and known as "The Revenue Debt"—should, in some way be discharged. If this was accomplished, we would then resent a condition, as regards our finances, which few States

Ostensible Principal and interest of each Class to Ist July, 1850, as originally issued.		Adjustment by Texas on the Dollar.		Adjustment under the act of Congress on the Dollar	Excess of the Texas adjustment over the pro-rata of the act of Congress.	
Dollars.	Ct.	D.	Ct	Cents.	Dollars.	Ct.
1,657,803	33		70	76 9-10		
29,291	47	1	00	do.	6,767	84
1,211,000	00	"	50	do.		
411,404	70	"	50	do.		
960,498	00	"	87 45/100	do.	101,383	14
1,627,784	16	"	30	do.		
46,596	26	"	30	do.		
1,417,680	00	"	20	do.		
65,208	33	1	00	do.	15,066	58
451,708	32	"	50	do.		
2.199,728	64	"	25	do.		
10,078,703	21				123,217	56

of the Union could exhibit—a Government out of debt, with a surplus of over a million of dollars in the Treasury—a permanent 5 per cent School Fund of two millions of dollars—an unappropriated public domain, estimated at one hundred millions of acres, which, if judiciously used would subserve all the purposes of internal improvements, required by the State, and a tax lighter than is imposed on any other people, and which is adequate to all the wants of the Government.

AGGREGATE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY—ITS INCREASE.

The taxable property of the State continues to increase. The following table presents the aggregate value for each of the past four years, with the increase per cent. of one year over the other, from which it will be seen that the increase of the present year over 1853 is more than 50 per cent.:

YEAR.	Aggregate of taxable property.	Increase of taxable property.	Increase of each year compared with the preceding.	Per cent.
	Dollars.	Dollars.		
1852	80,754,094			
1853	99,155,114	18,401 020	Increase of 1853, over 1852	23
1854	126,981,617	27,826 503	" 1854 " 1853	28
1855	149,521,451	22,539 834	" 1855 " 1854	17½

PRINCIPAL ITEMS OF TAXATION—THEIR VALUE, &c.,

The following table shows the chief articles subject to taxation, with their value for each of the last four years:

YEAR.	LAND.			NEGROES.			HORSES AND CATTLE.			Other property, such as town lots, Money at interest, &c.
	No. Acre Assessed.	Value. Dollars.	Val. per acre	No. Assessed.	Value. Dollars.	Val. of each.	No. Assessed.	Value. Dollars.	Val. per head.	Value. Dollars.
1852	37,838 792	33,116,772	87½	68,795	28,628,990	416	1,020,832	7,977,999	7,82	11,030,423
1853	39,175 858	39,256,612	1,00	78,713	35,946,473	456	1,164,463	10,217,499	8,78	13,734,530
1854	44,580 946	49,961,177	1,12	90,612	46,501,840	513	1,377,472	13,465,805	9,08	17,052,795
1855	45,893,869	58,671,126	1,28	105,603	53,373,924	505½	1,615,609	16,936,423	10,48	20,539,978

REVENUE—ITS REDUCTION AND EXPENDITURE

As the question of the reduction of our present rate of taxation is likely to be considered by the Legislature now in Session, I will present the following facts, showing the probable expense of the State for the coming year, or the average yearly expenditure under the present establishment; the adequacy of the revenue from taxation to meet the same at the present rate, and the inadequacy thereof at a reduction of one-sixth, or to 12½ cents on the hundred dollars.

The legitimate expenses of the government, one year with another may be stated at $218,580 exclusive of all extraneous disbursements. The revenue of 1856, adding 12½ per cent for the increase of that year over 1855, at the present rate of taxation, after deducting the expenses of assessing and collecting, would be $233,491,05.

Adding the same increase per cent. for 1856, over 1855, and reducing the rate of taxation to 12½ cents on the hundred dollars, the yield, in nett, would be $200,798,67.

We have thus a surplus of receipts under the present rate of taxation of $14,911,05, allowing that no defalcation on the part of collectors should occur; and that no appropriations other than those now required by law should be made, and a defici of $17,781 33c under the reduced rate.

It may be thought that the increase of 1856 over 1855, as above computed, is not as great as might be expected, when compared with former years; but it must be remembered that an increase of 12½ per cent for-1856, on $149,521,451, the taxable value of property for 1855, is greater in amount than the increase of 33⅓ per cent for 1851 over 1850, when the taxable property of 1850 was $51,814,615, and of 1851 $69,739,581.

Thus when we see a decrease in *the rate per cent.* of one year compared with another, it does not follow that there is a proportionate reduction from the increase of the year showing the higher per centage, either as regards the value of property or the tax thereon.

It will be observed that there is a considerable falling off in the revenue from Licence Tax, for the present compared with the former year. This is owing to the enactment of a law by the last legislature, regulating and restraining the sale of spirituous liquors. The object of this law was to prevent the retailing system, but in its practical operation it entirely failed. There was no penalty imposed for a violation of its provisions, and the result was, that the traffic still continued without the obligation

of the payment of tax. Should it not be thought advisable entirely to prevent the vending of spirits by retail, I would suggest and recommend that a tax be again imposed, say of four times the original amount, which would be $200. Then, supposing the number of establishments thus engaged to be reduced one-half, still the revenue therefrom would be double what it heretofore was, and would amount to $22,800 54 nett annually. Should this be done this sum should be added to the estimated revenue for 1856, before stated.

Upon a review of the whole subject of a reduction of the present rate of taxation, I would state, that if the Treasury is to rely solely hereafter upon this source for support, the appropriations must be confined exclusively to the legitimate governmental expenses; as the revenue at a reduced rate, would not admit of extraneous appropriations, it being already found inadequate to the ordinary expenses, but by an economical administration of the government, a reduction of one sixth of the present rate, say to 12½ cents on the hundred dollars, might be made, to take effect in 1858, or perhaps in 1857, but in no event do I think, that any abatement in the present per centum should be made for the coming year.

For the better understanding of this subject I have prepared a statement showing the actual result of these figures in detail, and also the probable revenue for 1857, at both rates, which is appended as an addenda to statement "G" herewith accompanying:

DEFECTS OF THE LAW FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.

In my report of 1853, I called attention to what I believed were the imperfections of the law regulating the assessment and collection of taxes, and a bill was introduced into the Legislature which I considered was calculated to remedy its defects, This bill was not considered until the session was well advanced, and the consequence was that it was only finally acted upon by one branch of the Legislature.

Subsequent experience has only strengthened the belief that the present law is not adequate to the object for which it was enacted, and that the public interest requires that it should receive the attention of the Legislature at its present session.

The committee for revising the laws have submitted to me a bill to supply the defects of the existing law, and being satisfied with its provisions, I respectfully recommend its enactment.

RAIL ROADS AND CANALS.

Since the date of my last report the only incorporated company for the promotion of internal improvements, who have requested an inspection and examination of their work, with a view of obtaining the land scrip to which they may be entitled as a bonus under the provisions of the statute is "the Galveston and Brazos Navigation Company," incorporated in 1850, for connecting the waters of the Brazos river with Galveston bay, by means of a canal.

The Commissioner appointed to examine this work has, in the main, reported favorably, and scrip for every four sections of land, to which the company are entitled under the act of February 11th, 1854, will be issued on the application of the company's agent.

I herewith subjoin a copy of my instructions to the Commissioner, and his report of the character of the work, marked "I."

It is understood that the "Buffalo Bayou, Brazos, and Colorado Railway Company," have nearly completed the extension of their road to the east bank of the Brazos river, opposite the town of Richmond. No application has, however, been yet made for the appointment of a Commissioner to inspect the work, but it is supposed that such an application will be made shortly.

SALE OF AUSTIN CITY LOTS.

According to the requirements of an act approved February 11th, 1854, I sold in the month of October last, to the highest bidder, 221 of the public lots in the city of Austin, which, in the aggregate yielded $14,497,00. The first instalment on this sale has been paid, and the proceeds deposited in the Treasury, as will more fully appear by reference to the accompanying statement marked "F."

The total nett proceeds from the sale of Austin lots, under the various acts of the Legislature, including the notes on hand for the second and third instalments of the recent sale amounts to $59,855,76. Of this amount the sum of $53,415,00 has been appropriated for the erection of government buildings, leaving a balance of 6,440,76 which has not been specially appropriated, out of which I would suggest that an amount be appropriated sufficient for the completion and furnishing of the Governor's residence, now in course of erection.

CHANGE IN THE FISCAL YEAR RECOMMENDED.

By the present law the fiscal year is made to end on the 31st of October. This does not allow the accounting officers suffi-

cient time to prepare reports so as to furnish them to the Legislature at the commencement of the session. I would therefore recommend that the Treasury fiscal year be changed, so as to end on the 30th of September, which will give the officers time to prepare reports and submit them at the opening of the session.

In connection with this subject I would state that heretofore the report from this office which is necessarily voluminous, has not been printed until after the adjournment of the Legislature, owing to the quantity of business in the printing office consequent thereon, and the result has been that but few of the members are advised of its contents during the session. If the printing of the report is hereafter to be continued, I would suggest that authority be given to do so before the convening of the Legislature, by which means it can be almost ready at the meeting, and each member can have an opportunity of knowing its contents.

Under the present law the assessors and collectors are not allowed compensation for assessing license tax. As there is as much trouble attending the assessment of this tax as the ad valorem, I would recommend that the same commission be allowed for assessing the one that there is for the other.

The statements hereto appended from "E" to "I" it is believed, present an account of the general transactions of this office for the two past fiscal years, terminating on the 31st ult. Should the Legislature require any additional information than is herein contained, it shall be promptly furnished, and should an examination of the office be deemed necessary, it will give me much pleasure to afford every facility to any committee charged with such duty.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES B. SHAW,

Comptroller.

STATEMENTS APPENDED.

"A."

Cash Receipts in account Current with Expenditures from in which the revenues

DR.

To Balance on hand 31st October, 1853.				
In United States 5 per cent bonds,	3,575,000	00		
" Specie, Interest on U. S. bonds,	166,832	23		
" " Premium on do.	47,047	50		
" " Proceeds of sale of do.	176,422	21	3,965,301	94
To amount received during two years ending 31st October, 1855, viz:				
Revenue of the Republic.				
From Customs,	1,537	99		
" Licenses,	2,798	65		
" Miscellaneous sources,	789	76		
Amount transferred from State Revenue,	53	89		
" Collected in Exchequer Bills from Customs,	74	67		
" Collected in Promissory notes for Land Dues and Tax	2,095	29	7,350	25
Revenue of State.				
From Direct and License Taxes collected by A. & C's. as per statement "E."	53,554	88		
" Taxes collected by Comptroller,	1,907	05		
" Land Patents,	7,098	80		

CR.

By amount of United States Bonds transferred to Special School Fund, under Act of January 31, 1854,			2,000,000	00
By amount of interest on bonds, transferred to wit:				
To Special School Fund,	141,666	67	148,291	67
" General School Fund,	6,625	00		
By amount disbursed during the years ending 31st Oct. 1855, viz.:				
On account of State expenditures,			495,697	07
On Account of payment of Public Debt, viz.:				
1st Class Audited Paper,	4,394	47		

31st October 1853, *to* 31*st October*, 1855, *showing the manner have been disposed of.*

" Land Dues,		3,111	52		
" Pre-emption claims,		2,980	00		
" Sale of Austin City Lots,		22,108	61		
" Office Fees,		3,556	16		
" Miscellaneous sources,		127	85		
" Money drawn on requisition and refunded,		3,667	11		
		98,111	98		
Less the following amounts transferred, viz:					
To Revenue of Republic, $	53,89				
" County Tax Account,	25,41				
	79,30				
Less amount 10 per cent. School Fund included,	39,849,86	39,929	16	58,182	82
Amount interest collected on U. S. Bonds up to 1st July, 1855, ...				453,500	00
				$4,484,313	01

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Austin,
Nov. 28th, 1855.

do. 8 per cent Funded Debt, Principal,	360	00		
do. " " " " Interest,	280	80		
do. 10 per cent. " Principal,	300	00		
do. " " " " Interest,	301	24		
2nd Class Audited Paper,	33,219	96		
2nd Class "R." Debt,	182,454	53		
3d Class "	1,839	17		
Audited under Special Acts,	278	00	223,428	17
By amount destroyed as per Act of Congress of January 29, 1842, ...			2,169	96

By Balance on hand 31st Oct. 1855, to wit:				
In United States 5 per cent. Bonds,	1,575,000	00		
" Specie, interest on United States Bonds,	39,706	06		

"B."

Cash Receipts in account current with Special Deposites from in which the Special Deposites

			COUNTY	
To Balance of County Taxes on hand 31st October, 1853,	$12,147	46		
Amount received on account of do. for two years ending the 31st Oct., 1855,	21,040	39	33,187	85
	ASSESSORS			
To balance of Assessor's fees on hand, 31st October, 1853,	837	83		
Amount received on account of do. for two years ending 31st Oct. 1855,	133	17	971	00
	RAIL ROAD TAX			
To Balance on hand Oct. 31st 1853.	750	61		
" Amount received up to Oct., 31st, 1855,	1,595	31		
To amount transferred from County Tax account.	121	78	2,467	70
	SETTLEMENT			
To balance on hand 31st Oct., 1853, to wit:				
" In Specie, $5,415,36				
" " Promissory notes, 1,025,21	6,440	57		
Amount received for two years, ending Oct. 31st, 1855.	5,259	26	11,699	83
			$48,326	38
	GENERAL SCHOOL			
To balance on hand 31st Oct. 1853, to wit:				
In U. S. 5 per cent. Bonds,	53,000	00		
Specie,	29,193	33	82,193	33
Amount received for two years end				

By specie Premium on do.			41	54	1,614,748	14
					$4,484,335,01

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, AUSTIN, Nov. 28, 1855. } JAMES B. SHAW, *Comptroller.*

31*st October*, 1853, *to* 31*st October*, 1855, *showing the manner have been disposed of.*

TAXES.				
By amount disbursed up to 31st Oct. 1855.	19,860	75		
" Transferred to Rail Road Tax account,	121	78		
" " " State Revenue acct.	6	48		
Balance on hand 31st Oct. 1855.	13,198	84	33,187	85
FEES.				
By amount disbursed up to 31st Oct. 1855.	168	44		
" Balance on hand,	802	56	971	00
BEXAR COUNTY.				
By amount disbursed up to Oct. 31st 1855.	1,699	18		
" Balance on hand,	768	52	2,467	70
OF ESTATES.				
By amount on hand 31st Oct. 1855.				
" In specie,	10,674	62		
" " Promissory notes,	1,025	21	11,699	83
			$48,326	38

FUND.

By balance on hand Oct. 31st 1855, to wit:

" ing Oct. 31st. 1855, to wit:				
From 1-10 Aggregate Revenue of State,	39,849	86		
Interest on U. S. 5 per cent bonds to 1st July, 1855.	6,625	00	46,474	86
			$128,668	19

SPECIAL SCHOOL

To amount of U. S. 5 per cent. bonds transferred from State acc't under act of January 31, 1854,	2,000,000	00		
To amount of interest collected on same to 1st July, 1855,	141,666	67	2,141,666	67

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, AUSTIN, NOV 28, 1855.

"C."

Statement showing the amount of Warrants drawn on the 1855, *from appropriations for the*

DATE OF APPRO-PRIATION.		TO WHAT APPROPRIATED.
1848		*Appropriations*, 1848.
March	20	For Books, Stationery and Repairs, Treasury Office,
"		" Transportation and Exchange of Books,
1850		*Appropriations*, 1850.
Feb.	11	" Map of San Patricio and Nueces District,
"	"	" Freight and expenses on Books for State Department,
"	"	" Salary of Governor,
		Appropriations, 1851.
"	"	" Salary of State Treasurer,
"	"	" " " District Judges,
"	8	" Commissioners & Attorney to Investigate Land Titles,
"	11	" Contingent expenses, Comptroller's Office,

In United States 5 per cent bonds,		53,000	00		
" Specie,		75,668	19		
				$128,668	19
FUND.					
By amount disbursed up to 31st Oct. 1855.		27,136	96		
By balance on hand 31st Oct. 1855, to wit:					
In United States 5 per cent. bonds,	$2,000,000 00				
In Specie,	114,529 71	2,114,529	71	2,141,666	67

JAMES B. SHAW, *Comptroller.*

Treasury from the 31*st of October*, 1853, *to the* 31*st of October*, *support of the Government.*

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE.	
3	40	3	40		
127	88	11	10	116	78
500	00	246	97	253	03
100	00	10	50	89	50
194	49	194	49		
1,036	66	1,036	66		
8,910	45	437	50	8,472	95
83	33	83	33		
78	19	78	19		

DATE OF APPROPRIATION.		TO WHAT APPROPRIATED.
1852		*Appropriations*, 1852.
Feb.	16	" Salary of Governor,
"	"	" Books and Stationery for Land Office,
"	"	" Postage for State Department,
"	"	" Stationery for do.
"	"	" Salary of State Treasurer,
"	"	For Contingent expenses of Treasury Office,
"	"	" Pay of Comptroller and for extra services,
"	"	" Stationery and books for Comptroller's Office,
"	"	" do. for next legislature,
"	"	" Apprehension and delivery of Criminals,
"	"	" Pay of I. M. Blackwell, work on Supreme Court Room,
"	"	" Transcribing Journals,
"	"	" Public Printing,
"	"	" Furnishing and Finishing Capitol,
"	"	" Bringing Portrait of Washington to Austin,
"	"	" Building Capitol,
"		" Contingent expenses of Supreme Court,
		Appropriations for 1853.
1852		EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
Feb.	16	For Salary of Governor,
"		" " Private Secretary to Governor,
"	"	" Postage for Executive Department,
"	"	" Stationery and Printing for do.
	"	" Wood and water for do.
"		GENERAL LAND OFFICE.
"	"	For salary of Commissioner of General Land Office,
"	"	" " Chief Clerk, do.
"	"	" " Principal Draftsman, do.
"	"	" " Assistant do do.
"	"	" " Eight assistant Clerks, do.
"	"	" " Translator do.
"	"	For Books and Stationery, General Land Office,
"	"	" Postage for do.
"	"	" Contingent expenses of do.
"	"	STATE DEPARTMENT.
"	"	" Salary of Secretary of State,
"	"	" " Clerk in State Department,
"	"	" Contingent expenses of do.
"	"	" Printing for do.

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE.	
$2,000	00	$2,000	00		
87	17	87	17		
7	31	7	31		
19	50	19	50		
1,200	00	1,200	00		
11	48	11	48		
1,210	89	1,210	89		
3	03	3	03		
450	92	450	92		
25	00	25	00		
81	72	81	72		
1,548	88	1,548	88		
189	63	181	50	8	13
1,641	13	1,641	13		
100	00	100	00		
15,029	56	14,344	88	684	68
744	83	744	83		
2,000	00	1,749	93	250	07
286	82	171	10	115	72
104	39	16	30	88	09
13	23	13	23		
24	80	18	00	6	80
679	22	500	00	179	22
333	36	249	99	83	37
333	36	249	99	83	37
266	72	199	98	66	74
328	92	249	99	78	93
1,944	67	1,471	70	472	97
132	65	132	65		
70	00	19	70	50	30
263	07	215	57	47	50
552	81	552	81		
258	61	186	66	71	95
108	55	107	00	1	55
184	00	184	00		

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		FOR WHAT APPROPRIATED.
1852		To Postage for State Department,
Feb.	16	" Stationery for do.
		ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Adjutant General,
		TREASURY DEPARTMENT.
"	"	" Salary of State Treasurer,
"	"	" " Clerk in Treasurer's Office,
"	"	" Contingent expenses of do.
		COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.
	"	" Salary of Comptroller and for extra services,
"		" " Chief Clerk in Comptroller's Office,
"	"	" Salary of 4 assistant Clerks in Comptr's Office,
"	"	" Printing for do.
"	"	" Books and Stationery for do.
		AUDITOR'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Auditor,
		JUDGES SUPREME COURT.
"	"	" Salary of three Judges Supreme Court,
		ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Attorney General,
"		JUDICIARY.
"	"	" Salary of twelve District Judges,
	"	" " " " " Attornies,
"		MISCELLANEOUS.
"	"	" Support of Penitentiary,
"	"	" Pension of Disabled Seamen,
1853	"	" Apprehension and delivery of criminals,
Feb.	9	" Relief of John B. Thacker,
"	7	" Pension of Henry Tierevester,
"		" Surveying Land Scrip,
	"	" 2d Assistant Draftsman in Land Office,
"		" Stationery for next Legislature,
	"	" Repairs of Treasury office,
"		" Salary of Judge of 13th District,
"	"	" " Attorney of do.
"	"	" Building Comptroller's and Treasury Office,
"	"	" Translating Archives of Bexar co. into Spanish,
"	"	" Pension of D. F. Webb,
"	"	" Texas Reports,
1854		*Appropriations* 1854.
Feb.	5	" Contin't expenses of fifth Legislature, $15,000 00

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE.	
38	33	33	59	4	74
162	75	27	60	135	15
397	34	249	99	147	35
1,200	00	1,063	34	136	66
258	67	174	99	83	68
111	50	111	50		
1,500	00	1,289	11	210	89
351	14	249	99	101	15
1,055	94	817	65	238	29
59	25	59	25		
92	20	81	92	10	28
1,200	00	1,200	00		
1,500	00	1,500	00		
750	00	495	42	254	58
13,655	07	9,041	66	4,613	41
3,568	14	2,850	00	718	14
5,469	00	5,469	00		
364	00	111	75	252	25
686	50	686	50		
50	00	50	00		
50	00	50	00		
626	79	423	53	203	26
249	03	174	99	74	04
500	00	500	00		
64	78	64	78		
1,312	50	583	33	729	17
375	00	375	00		
19,996	00	19,996	00		
475	00	475	00		
96	00	96	00		
6,461	00	6,461	00		

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		FOR WHAT APPROPRIATED.
Feb.	11	" Contin't expenses of fifth Legislature, $14,000 00
"	26	" Indemnification of owners of slaves executed
July	2	" Publishing Proclamations of Governor,
"	"	To Balance due for subsistence &c. for volunteers,
"	"	EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
"	"	" Salary of Governor,
	"	" " Private Secretary to Governor,
1854		" Rent of Governor's residence,
Feb.	11	" Contingent expenses Executive Office,
"	"	STATE DEPARTMENT.
"	"	" Salary of Secretary of State,
"	"	" " Clerk in State Department,
"	"	" Contingent Expenses, do.
"	"	" Printing for do.
"	"	" Postage for do.
"	"	" Stationery for do.
"	"	TREASURY DEPARTMENT.
"	"	" Salary of State Treasurer,
"	"	" " Clerk in Treasury Office,
"	"	" Contingent Expenses of do.
"	"	" Stationery, Postage and Printing do.
"	"	COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Comptroller,
"	"	" " Chief Clerk in Comptroller's Office,
"	"	" " Clerk of Tax Bureau,
"	"	" " Five assistant Clerks.
"	"	" Contingent Expenses of Office,
"	"	" Stationery and books for do,
"	"	" Printing for do.
"	"	For Postage for Comptroller's Office,
"	"	" Outstanding claims against do.
"	"	" Porter hire, do.
"		AUDITOR'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Auditor,
"	"	" " Clerk in Auditor's Office,
"	"	" Contingent Expenses of do.
"	"	" Outstanding claims against do,
"		GENERAL LAND OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Commissioner of General Land Office,
"	"	" " Chief Clerk, do.
"	"	" " Translator do, do.

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE.	
29,000	00	25,545	85	3,454	15
5,000	00	5,000	00		
5,000	00	3,192	75	1,807	25
4,555	00	4,555	00		
2,000	00	2,000	00		
900	00	900	00		
1,000	00	1,000	00		
500	00	476	63	23	37
1,800	00	1,800	00		
900	00	900	00		
250	00	250	00		
305	55	305	55		
200	00	200	00	455 56	
100	00	96	01	3	99
1,800	00	1,800	00		
900	00	899	99		01
200	00	200	00		
150	00	150	00		
1,800	00	1,800	00		
1,200	00	1,199	99		01
1,200	00	1,199	99		01
4,500	00	4,500	00		
250	00	250	00		
300	00	300	00		
350	00	350	00		
350	00	350	00		
505	00	505	00		
100	00	100	00		
1,500	00	1,500	00		
1,425	00	1,425	00		
200	00	199	80		20
280	00	276	65	3	35
2,000	00	2,000	00		
1,200	00	1,200	00		
1,200	00	1,200	00		

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		FOR WHAT APPROPRIATED.
1854		For salary of Chief Draftsman, General Land Office
Feb.	11	" " Two assistant do.
"	"	" " Two do do.
"	"	" " Eight Assistant Clerks, do.
"	"	" " Three Assistant do. do.
"	"	" Books and Stationery, for do.
"	"	" Salary of seven Assistant Clerks in do.
"	"	" Postage for General Land Office,
"	"	" Wood for do.
"	"	" Repairs of Roof and Cistern, do.
"	"	" Postage, do.
"	"	" Contingent Expenses, do.
"	"	" Additional due Office and Clerks, do.
"	"	" Purchase of 25,000 Blank Patents,
		ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Adjutant General,
"	"	" Contingent expenses, including Printing,
"	"	" Clerk hire for Office,
"	"	" Transportation of Arms, and building chimney,
		JUDGES SUPREME COURT.
"	"	" Salary of three Judges of Supreme Court,
		ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Attorney General,
"	"	" Bank bills filed by Attorney General in suits,
"	"	" Contingent expenses of office,
	"	JUDICIARY.
"	"	" Contingent expenses of Supreme Court,
"	"	" Salary of special Judges, Hughes and Jones,
"	"	" " Fourteen District Judges,
"	"	" " Fourteen " Attorneys,
		MISCELLANEOUS.
"	"	" Report of Decisions of Supreme Court,
"	"	" Salary of Superintendent of Penitentiary,
"	"	" " Clerk in Penitentiary,
"	"	" Support of do.
"		" Printing Laws and Journals of 5th Legislature,
"	"	" Distribution of do.
"	"	" Bal. due C. H. Buckner, pub. do. 4th Legislature,
"	"	" Copy of Laws last extra session for printer,
"	"	" Lindheimer and von Ross for translating Gov.
"		Bell's Message, to ex-session 4th Legislature,
"		in the German language,

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE.	
1,200	00	1,200	00		
2,200	00	2,200	00		
2,400	00	2,400	00		
7,200	00	7,186	94	13	06
2,400	00	2,400	00		
500	00	492	16	7	84
6,500	00	6,500	00		
150	00	150	00		
90	00	90	00		
150	00	56	45	93	55
180	00	180	00		
250	00	250	00		
56	40	56	40		
8,800	00	4,037	50	4,762	50
1,200	00	1,199	99		01
150	00	150	00		
295	50	295	50		
90	00	90	00		
6,000	00	6,000	00		
1,800	00	1,800	00		
300	00	300	00		
250	00	250	00		
3,000	00	2,576	61	423	39
200	00	200	00		
24,500	00	24,500	00		
7,000	00	7,000	00		
8,000	00	5,117	00	2,883	00
1,200	00	1,200	00		
900	00	900	00		
21,400	00	21,400	00		
9,000	00	2,443	30	6,556	70
2,000	00	1,071	74	928	26
1,374	00	1,374	00		
95	00	95	00		
50	00	50	00		

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		FOR WHAT APPROPRIATED
1854		To Recovering fugitives from justice out of the State,
Feb.	11	" Apprehension and delivery of criminals in do.
"	"	" Iron door to vault of Treasury and expense
"	"	from New York,
"	"	" Furniture, &c. for offices of Comptroller, Trea-
"	"	surer and Auditor,
"	"	" Survey of Land Scrip,
"		" Thomas Smith, for transporting block of mar-
"	"	ble to Washington,
"	"	" Costs of suit, State of Texas vs. E. Burleson,
"		" Pension of John B. Thacker,
"	"	" do of David Webb,
"		" do of Disabled Seamen,
	"	" do of James Nichols,
"	"	" do of Henry Tiervester,
"	"	" do of R. H. Davis,
"	"	" do of Michael Short,
"	"	" pay of R. M. Forbes and Company Freight of
"	"	furniture for capital,
"	"	" Furniture and fitting up Supreme Court room,
"	"	" Lost audited draft, No. 111,
"	"	" Pay of E. B. Scarborough for publishing pro-
"	"	clamation of Com's to investigate land titles,
"	"	" Pay of Charles De Morse for publishing notice
"	"	of suit of the State vs. the contractors of Peters
"	"	colony,
"	"	" Will B. Lilly for arresting and delivering up
"	"	two fugitives from Justice,
"	"	" P. R. Edwards, for bringing back Shultz, a
"	"	fugitive from Justice,
"	"	" Edward Nash for hauling furniture of Capitol,
"		" S. M. Swenson, " " "
1854	11	" Desk and repairs of General Land Office,
Feb.		" J. W. Hampton for printing for Adjutant
	"	General's Office,
"		" " " Gen. Land Office,
	"	" C. H. Randolph, for executions issued against
"		delinquent tax payers,
	"	" John Hendrickson for Marble slabs for clocks
"	"	of Capitol,
"	"	" Ernst Raven for care of Senate Chamber

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE.	
5,000	00	1,769	27	3,230	73
5,000	00	488	05	4,511	95
375	00	375	00		
2,500	00	2,500	00		
1,500	00	1,497	97	2	03
384	75	384	75		
44	05	44	05		
100	00	100	00		
100	00	100	00		
400	00	252	00	148	00
100	00	100	00		
100	00	100	00		
100	00	100	00		
100	00	100	00		
823	18	823	18		
3,000	00	2,772	08	227	92
2,793	18	2,793	18		
65	00	65	00		
22	50	22	50		
500	00	500	00		
250	00	250	00		
808	72	808	72		
5	84	5	84		
365	00	365	00		
38	00	38	00		
51	50	51	50		
303	00	303	00		
40	00	40	00		
50	00	50	00		

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		FOR WHAT APPROPRIATED.
1854		" J. C. Hampton, care of House of Representatives
Feb.	11	" Nathan Mitchell, for translating Gov's Message
"	"	into Spanish,
"	"	" E. M. Anderson, Sheriff Cameron county, for
		transporting convicts to the penitentiary,
"	"	" Translating and printing into German and
"		Spanish the laws and documents of the 5th
	"	Legislature,
"	"	" N. C. Riotte, for translating and superintending
	"	printing of laws of 4th Legislature into German
"		" Pay of S. P. Nowell as minute man in Chandles'
"	"	Company,
"		" Expenses in ascertaining the debt of the late
	"	Republic of Texas,
1853		" Members officers and Clerks of the fifth Legisla-
Dec.	23	ture,
1854	"	" Erection of factory in State Penitentiary,
Feb.	11	" Provision for construction of Miss. and Pacific
1853		Railroad,
Dec.	21	" Purchase of books for Supreme Court,
Feb'54	11	" Commissioners for revising laws,
	13	" Protection of public buildings at Austin,
"	4	" Rescue of captives from Indians,
"	11	" Commissioners and Clerk for investigating land
"		titles,
		" Erection of residence for Governor,
"		" Furnishing residence for Governor,
"		" Relief of Alabama Indians and pay of commis-
"	"	sioners,
	3	" Additional appropriation for erect'n of Treasury
"		building,

Appropriations 1855.

1854		EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
Feb.	11	For Salary of Governor,
"		" " Private Secretary of Gov.
"		" " Rent of Governor's residence,
"		STATE DEPARTMENT.
"		" Salary of Secretary of State,
"		" " Clerk in State department,
"		" Contingent expenses of do.
"		" Printing for do.

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE.	
50	00	50	00		
100	00	100	00		
466	66	466	66		
2,000	00	1,699	25	300	75
336	90	336	90		
44	00	44	00		
500	00	476	00	24	00
50,000	00	50,000	00		
35,000	00	35,000	00		
1,000	00	765	63	234	37
15,000	00	13,904	03	1,095	97
4,500	00	4,375	00	125	00
6,000	00	5,746	98	253	02
5,000	00	1,293	01	3,706	99
4,500	00	4,500	00		
14,500	00	10,000	00	4,500	00
2,500	00	2,495	67	4	33
2,660	00	2,320	00	340	00
6,415	00	6,395	33	19	67
2,000	00	1,499	98	500	02
900	00	675	00	225	00
1,000	00	350	00	650	00
1,800	00	1,383	11	416	89
900	00	663	24	236	76
250	00	8	35	241	65
300	00	17	50	282	50

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		FOR WHAT APPROPRIATED.
1854		To Postage for State Department,
Feb	11	" Stationery for do.
		TREASURY DEPARTMENT.
"	"	" Salary of State Treasurer,
"	"	" " Clerk in Treasury office,
"	"	" Contingent expenses treasury office,
"	"	" Stationery and Printing for do.
		COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of the Comptroller,
"	"	" Chief clerk in comptroller's office,
"	"	" Of Clerk in tax bureau in do.
		" Two assistant clerks in do,
"	"	" Contingent expenses of do.
"	"	" Books and stationery for do.
"	"	" Printing for do.
"	"	" Postage for do,
		AUDITOR'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Auditor,
"	"	" Contingent expenses of Auditor's office,
		GENERAL LAND OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Commissioner of General Land Office,
"	"	" " Chief Clerk in do.
"	"	" " Translator in do.
"	"	" " Chief Draftsman, do.
"	"	" " Two Assistant do. do.
"	"	" " Eight Assistant Clerks, do.
"	"	" " Three Additional do. do.
"	"	" Books and Stationery for do.
"	"	" Postage for do.
"	"	" Wood for do.
"	"	" Contingent expenses of do.
"	"	ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.
"	"	" Salary of Adjutant General,
"	"	" Contingent expenses, do.
"	"	JUDICIARY.
"	"	" Salary of three Judges of Supreme Court,
		" " Fourteen District Judges,
"	"	" " " " Attorneys,
"	"	ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.
		" Salary of Attorney General,

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.		AMOUNT DRAWN.		BALANCE DUE,	
200	00	41	35	158	65
100	00	25	62	74	38
1,800	00	1,500	00	300	00
900	00	675	00	225	00
200	00	98	59	101	41
150	00	65	62	84	38
1,800	00	1,500	00	300	00
1,200	00	800	00	400	00
1,200	00	900	00	300	00
4,500	00	2,362	47	2,137	53
250	00	250	00		
300	00	300	00		
350	00	317	65	32	35
350	00	156	64	193	36
1,500	00	1,250	00	250	00
200	00	115	60	84	40
2,000	00	1,333	33	666	67
1,200	00	900	00	300	00
1,200	00	900	00	300	00
1,200	00	900	00	300	00
2,200	00	1,527	53	672	47
7,200	00	5,325	00	1,875	00
2,400	00	1,513	70	886	30
500	00	500	00		
150	00	150	00		
90	00	27	43	62	57
250	00	229	79	20	21
1,200	00	900	00	300	00
150	00	150	00		
6,000	00	4,527	90	1,472	10
24,500	00	9,465	89	15,034	11
7,000	00	2,450	07	4,549	93
1,800	00	900	00	900	00

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		FOR WHAT APPROPRIATED.
1854		MISCELLANEOUS.
Feb.	11	" Salary of Superintendent of Penitentiary,
"	"	" " Clerk in do.
"	"	" Support of do.
"	"	" Survey of Land Scrip,
"	"	" Pension of Henry Tiervester,
"	"	" " of David Webb,
"	"	" " of Michael Short,
"	"	" " of Rolla M. Davis,
"		" " of James Nichols,
"	"	" Pay of Commissioners to Revise Laws,
"	"	" " and Clerks to Investigate Land Titles,

RECAPITULATION.

Total Amount for the year,.....
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "

	AMOUNT APPROPRIATED.	AMOUNT DRAWN.	BALANCE DUE.
	$1,200 00	$900 00	$300 00
	900 00	675 00	225 00
	21,400 00	21,400 00	
	1,500 00	71 90	1,428 10
	100 00	50 00	50 00
	100 00	50 00	50 00
	100 00	100 00	
	100 00	100 00	
	100 00	50 00	50 00
	4,500 00	1,500 00	3,000 00
	4,500 00	450 00	4,050 00
	$590,930 29	$488,423 48	$102,506 81
1848	131 28	14 50	116 78
1850	794 49	451 96	342 53
1851	10,108 63	1,635 68	8,472 95
1852	24,351 05	23,658 24	692 81
1853	70,561 11	61,051 49	9,509 62
1854	369,293 73	329,608 35	39,685 38
1855	115,690 00	72,003 26	43,686 74
	$ 590,930 29	$488,423 48	$102,506 81

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Austin, Nov. 28th, 1855.

"D."

Statement showing the Amount of the Public Debt of the late

1855, *and the bal-*

DATE OF APPROPRIATION		CLASS AND DESCRIPTION OF DEBT.	
1852		1ST CLASS.	
May	1	Audited paper,	
"	"	Miscellaneous liabilities,	
Jan.	31	8 per cent. Funded Debt,	
"	"	10 " " do.	
May	1	Audited by special acts of Legislature,	
"	"	Interest on various liabilities,	
1854		2ND CLASS.	
May	1	Second Class Debt "A."	
"	"	Second Class Debt "B." to wit:	
Jan.	18	Amount Appropriated this date	$125,000 00
Feb.	11	" " "	75,000 00
'52Feb	25	" " M. Hunt,	938 00
1852		3D CLASS.	
May	1	Third Class Debt,	$12,623 98
'54Feb	11	Amount Appropt'd for W. W. Kennedy,	112 50

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Austin, Nov. 28th, 1855.

Republic, paid during the two years ending 31st October, ance undrawn:

BALANCE ON HAND 31ST OCTOBER, 1853.		AMOUNT PAID DURING TWO YEARS ENDING 31ST OCTOBER, 1855		BALANCE UNDRAWN.	
$ 14,721	73	$4,394	47	$ 10,327	26
250	00			250	00
6,204	00	360	00	5,844	00
78,975	00	300	00	78,675	00
3,494	56	278	00	3,216	56
84,053	65	582	04	83,471	61
148,240	76	33,219	96	115,020	80
200,938	00	182,454	53	18,483	47
12,736	48	1,839	17	10,897	31
$549,614	18	$223,428	17	$326,186	01

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

"E."

Cash Receipts, showing the amount of Direct and License Taxes, received from each county, from 31st October, 1853, to 31st October, 1855.

COUNTY.	AMOUNT.		COUNTY.	AMOUNT.	
Anderson,	$610	69	Guadalupe,	$587	33
Angelina,	116	74	Harris,	577	50
Austin,	2,766	15	Harrison,	4,813	01
Bastrop,	746	95	Hays,	128	42
Bell,	339	53	Henderson,	116	70
Bexar,	1,960	16	Hidalgo,	49	31
Bowie,	733	14	Hill,	41	31
Brazoria,	1,000	06	Hopkins,	211	54
Brazos,	167	61	Houston,	449	43
Burleson,	369	05	Hunt,	139	02
Burnet,	62	61	Jackson,	332	30
Caldwell,	466	57	Jasper,	304	57
Calhoun,	824	95	Jefferson,	171	24
Cameron,	2,722	77	Johnson,	11	11
Cass,	671	57	Kaufman,	140	00
Cherokee,	615	56	Lamar,	524	51
Collin,	297	57	Lavaca,	190	17
Colorado,	974	41	Leon,	604	75
Comal,	267	72	Liberty,	853	05
Cooke,	61	45	Limestone,	255	71
Corryell,	20	35	McLennan,	76	11
Dallas,	587	65	Madison,	147	05
Denton,	77	59	Matagorda,	631	26
De Witt,	312	98	Medina,	157	28
Ellis,	173	61	Milam,	276	84
El Paso,	119	85	Montgomery,	515	72
Falls,	254	55	Nacogdoches,	875	56
Fannin,	609	12	Navarro,	393	99
Fayette,	852	84	Newton,	146	27
Fort Bend,	200	00	Nueces,	333	20
Freestone,	417	72	Orange,	88	95
Galveston,	1,368	30	Panola,	750	67
Gillespie,	120	31	Polk,	1,241	55
Goliad,	199	15	Red River,	626	62
Gonzales,	795	12	Refugio,	79	57
Grayson,	345	74	Robertson,	329	49
Grimes,	722	65	Rusk,	1,463	13

COUNTY.	AMOUNT.		COUNTY.	AMOUNT	
Sabine,	$212	28	Tyler,	$210	08
San Augustine,	860	42	Upshur,	904	27
San Patricio,	19	71	Van Zandt,	89	39
Shelby,	826	71	Victoria,	854	73
Smith,	855	99	Walker,	734	24
Starr,	701	03	Washington,	3,137	54
Tarrant,	70	21	Wharton,	538	26
Titus,	527	11	Williamson,	713	65
Travis,	400	40	Wood.	112	48
Trinity,	199	35			
				$53,554,88	

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Austin, Nov. 28th, 1855.

"F."

Statement of the Account of James B. Shaw, Comptroller, from 31st of October, 1853, to the 31st October, 1855.

On Account of Sale of Austin City Lots.

DR.

To amount of 2nd and 3d instalments of sale of lots, on the 9th 10th and 11th of May, 1853.		$21,106	67
Less amount paid for purchase of block, No. 125, for Governor's residence, and expense thereon,		3,523	90
		17,582	77
To amount of sales on the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th October, 1855,	$14,497 00		
Less amount not taken by purchasers,	510 00	13,987	00
		$31,569	77

CR.

By amount deposited 31st October, 1855, per D. W. No. 2876.	$17,563	11
" of 3d instalment unpaid on sale of May, 1853,	19	66
" Deposited 31st October, 1855 per D. W. No. 2875.	4,545	50
" Expenses of sale of October, 1855, per vouchers,	253	50
" Of 2d and 3d instalments of sale of October, 1855, unpaid	9,188	00

On Account of Public Rents.

DR.

To amount of notes on hand 31st Oct., 1853.		
" Public Renting for 1854,	$ 100	00
" " " 1855,	262	50

CR.

By amount of Dep. W. No. 2420, Nov. 17, 1853.	47	10
" " No. 2718, April 30, 1855,	28	00
" " No. 2873, Oct. 31, 1855,	12	50
" Allowed for repairs,	7	00
" Due by Wm. S. Oldham,	120	00
" Notes on hand 31st Oct. 1855,	417	94

On account of Fees of Office.

DR.

To amount received up to the 31st October, 1855,

CR.

By amount overpaid to 31st Oct. 1853,	2	50
" paid Jan. 31, 1854, per receipt, No. 2,456,	1	50
" March 11, " No. 2,476	4	50
" May 3, " No. 2,501	6	00
" Oct. 31, " No. 2,662	21	00
" Jan. 13, 1855 " No. 2692	1	00

	By amount paid April 30, per receipt, No. 2717,	$32 50	
	" May 31, " No. 2821	5 00	
	" Oct. 31, " No. 2874	1 00	$75 00
$17,582 77			
	On account of State Tax on property redeemed.		
	DR.		
	To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1854, per register, page 45,	322 41	
	" " 1855, "	21 24	343 65
	CR.		
13,987 00	By dept. warrant No. 2430, December 2nd, 1853,	124 82	
$31,569 77	" No. 2443, January 7, 1854,	122 55	
	" No. 2460, " 31, "	6 88	
	" No. 2474, March 11, "	64 96	
	" No. 2693, (in part) Feb. 13, 1855,	20 49	
	By amount refunded J. T. Lytle, on cert. No. 390,	1 28	
270 04	" M. Taylor, No. 782,	1 28	
362 50	" C. L. Mann, No. 140,	64	
	" J. G. Tod, No. 77,	75	343 56
632 54			
	On account of County Tax on property redeemed.		
	DR.		
	To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1854, per register, page 45,	155 40	
	" " up to " 1851,	10 63	166 03
	CR.		
632 54	By deposit warrant, No. 459, December 2nd, 1853,	61 81	
	" No. 471, Jan. 7, 1854,	58 38	
	" No. 483, Jan. 31, 1854,	3 44	
	" No. 487, March 11, 1854,	30 77	
	" No. 668, Feb. 13, 1855,	10 38	
75 00	By amount refunded to J. T. Lytle on certificate No. 390,	64	
	" M. Taylor, " 782,	64	
	" C. L. Mann, " 140,	32	
	" J. G. Todd, " 77,	25	166 03

On account of Interest on Property Redeemed.			
DR.			
To amount received up to 31st October, 1854, per register, page 45,	$212 92		
" 1855, " "	10 25	$223	17
CR.			
By deposit warrant, No. 2431, December 2d 1853,	80 56		
" No. 2444, January 7, 1854,	69 21		
" No. 2461, " 31, 1854,	2 09		
" No. 2475, March 11, "	59 99		
" No. 2693, Feb. 13, 1855,	10 15		
By amount refunded to J. T. Lytle, on certificate No. 390,	" 16		
" M. Taylor, No. 782, "	" 78		
" C. L. Mann, No. 140, "	" 13		
" J. G. Todd, No. 77, "	" 10	223	17
On Account of Assessors' Fees on Property Redeemed.			
DR.			
To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1854, per Register, page 45,	132 67		
" " " " " 1855,	4 50	137	17
CR.			
By deposit warrant, No. 460, December, 2d, 1853,	41 00		
" " No. 472, Jan. 7, 1854,	79 67		
" " No. 488, March 11, 1854,	9 00		
" " No. 669, Feb. 13th, 1855,	3 50		
" Amount refunded J. T. Lytle, on certificate, No. 390,	1 00		
" M. Taylor, No. 782,	1 00		
" C. L. Mann, No. 140,	1 00		
" J. G. Todd, No. 77,	1 00	137	17
On Account of State Taxes for 1850.			
DR.			
To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1854 per register, page 239,	326 69		
" 1855, " page, 240,	131 34	458	03

CR.			
By amount overpaid 31st October 1853, brought forward,	$65 81		
" refunded, on receipts, No. 657, and 2097, for 1849,	1 06		
" J. Eggeling, No. 1031, 1850,	1 87		
" T. Cassidy, No. 361,	4 78		
" A. F. James, No. 1012,	72		
" Deposit warrant, No. 2432, Dec. 2, 1853,	14 29		
" No. 2477, March 11, 1854,	26 29		
" No. 2497, May 3, "	99 60		
" No. 2538, May 31, "	27 29		
" No. 2576, June 30, "	17 63		
" No. 2608, August 10, "	34 64		
" No. 2661, Oct. 31, "	38 21		
" No. 2687, Feb. 13, 1855,	25 34		
" No. 2713, April 30, "	48 00		
" No. 2816, July 31, "	37 07		
" No. 2868, Oct. 31, "	15 43	$458	03
On Account of State Taxes for 1851.			
DR.			
To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1854, per register, page 239,	444 96		
" " " " 240, 1855,	162 49	607	45
CR.			
By am't overpaid, 31st Oct. 1853, bro't for'd,	2 82		
" refun'd J. Eggeling, on Certificate No. 846, for 1851,	3 12		
" refunded Mary E. Headenburg, on Certificate No. 240,	1 20		
" " " " " " 844,	50		
" refunded A. F. James, on Certificate No. 823,	74		
" Dep. War'nt No. 2433, Dec. 2d, 1853,	26 93		
" " " 2446, Jan. 7, 1854,	49 93		
" " " 2457, " 31, "	20 11		
" " " 2478, March 11, "	50 93		
" " " 2498, May 3, "	136 60		
" " " 2539, " 31, "	32 94		
" " " 2577, June 30, "	38 65		
" " " 2609, Aug. 10, "	50 33		
" " " 2660, Oct. 31, "	32 10		

By am't Dep. War't No. 2668, Feb. 13, 1855.	27 52		
" " " 2714, Apr. 30,	0 24		
" " " 2817, July 31, "	46 09		
" " " 2869, Oct. " "	16 20	$607	45

On Account of County Taxes for 1850.

DR.

To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct. 1854, per Register, page 239,	163 51		
To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct. 1855, per Register, page 240,	65 77	229	28

CR.

By am't overpaid 31st Oct. 1853, bro't for'd	13 09		
" refunded on rec'ts Nos. 657 & 2097 for 1849,	" 53		
" refunded J. Eggeling, on rec't No. 1031, for 1850	" 94		
" refunded T. Cassidy on rec't No. 361, for 1850,	2 39		
" refunded A. F. James, on rec't No. 1012, for 1850,	36		
" Dep. War'nt No. 473, Jan. 7, 1854,	15 60		
" " " " 479, " 31, "	9 57		
" " " " 489, M'ch 11, "	15 03		
" " " " 500, May 3, "	49 82		
" " " " 542, " 31, "	13 67		
" " " " 577, June 30, "	8 85		
" " " " 602, Aug. 10, "	17 34		
" " " " 653, Oct. 31, "	19 07		
" " " " 662, Feb. 13, 1855,	12 69		
" " " " 676, April 30, "	24 04		
" " " " 764, July 31, "	18 56		
" " " " 812, Oct. 31, "	7 73	229	28

On account of County Taxes for 1851.

DR.

To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct. 1854, per Register, page 239,	222 70		
To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct. 1855, per Register, page 240,	81 33	304	03

CR.

By am't overpaid for 1853, bro't forward,	$1 37	
By am't refunded J. Eggeling, on rec't No. 846 for 1851,	1 56	
" refunded Mary E. Headenburg, on rec't No. 240,	60	
" refunded Mary E. Headenburg, on rec't No. 844,	25	
" refun'd A. F. James, on rec't No. 823,	37	
By am't Dep. War'nt No. 461, Dec. 2, 1853,	13 48	
" " " " 474, Jan. 7, 1854,	25 00	
" " " " 480, " 31, "	10 09	
" " " " 490, M'ch 11, "	25 47	
" " " " 501, May 3, "	68 38	
" " " " 543, " 31, "	16 51	
" " " " 578, June 30, "	19 37	
" " " " 603, Aug. 10, "	25 44	
" " " " 652, Oct. 31, "	16 03	
" " " " 663, Feb. 13, 1855,	13 78	
" " " " 677, Apr. 30, "	35 15	
" " " " 765, July 31, "	23 07	
" " " " 813, Oct. " "	8 11	304 03

On account of County Taxes for 1852.

DR.

To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1854, per reg. page 1105,	989 81	
" " 1855, " 1106,	309 45	81,299 26

CR.

By am't overp'd 31st Oct. 1853, bt. forw'd	6 42	
" " See register, page 1103,	36 20	
By am't overp'd 31st Oct. 1854, see reg. page ——	37 73	
" refunded to A. F. James on receipt, No. 346,	1 38	
" deposited to cr. of R. R. Tax, transferred to this account,	15 42	
" Deposit warrant No. 462, Dec. 2, 1853,	57 54	
" " No. 475, Jan. 7, 1854,	133 55	
" " No. 481, " 31, "	87 36	
" " " 491, March 11 "	81 90	

By amount of Deposit warrant, No. 502. May 3, 1854,	222 11		
" " " 544, " 31, "	112 51		
" " " 579, June 30, "	69 27		
" " " 604, Augt. 10, "	107 04		
" " " 650, Oct. 31, "	75 91		
" " " 664, Feb. 13, 1855.	46 81		
" " " 678, April 30, "	140 19		
" " " 766, July 31, "	43 56		
" " " 814, Oct. 31, "	24 36	1,299	26

On Account of County Taxes for 1853.

DR.

To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1854, per register, page 1105,	1,989 92		
" " " " 1107, 1855,	454 77	2,444	69

CR.

By amount refunded to J. De Cordova, on receipt No. 520,	18 67		
" Dept. Warr't No. 433, Dec. 2, 1853,	243 71		
" " " 476, Jan. 7, 1854,	133 01		
" " " 482, " 31, "	89 01		
" " " 493, March 11, "	213 99		
" " " 504, May 3, "	440 96		
" " " 545, " 31, "	238 88		
" " " 581, June 30, "	206 58		
" " " 606, Aug. 10, "	168 03		
" " " 648, Oct. 31, "	255 75		
" " " 665, Feb. 13, 1855,	125 30		
" " " 680, April 30, "	210 82		
" " " 767, July 31, "	65 65		
" " " 815, Oct. 31, "	34 33	2,444	69

On Account of County Taxes for 1854.

DR.

To amount received up to 31st Oct. " 1855, per register, page 1107,		1,171	02

CR.

By amount Dep. Warr't No. 667, Feb. 13, 1855,	235 66		
" " No. 682, April 30, "	386 86		
" " " 768, July 31, "	487 13		
" " " 816, Oct. 31, "	61 37	1,171	02

On Account of School Fund for 1852.

DR.

To amount received up to 31st Oct. 1855, per register, page	72	02		
" Overp'd, cr'd on acct. for 1855,		45	72	47
" Received up to 31st Oct. 1855, per register, page 1106,			22	07
			94	54

CR.

By amount overpaid on account for 1854, brought forward,		45		
" Dep. War't No. 2434, Dec. 2, 1853,	4	10		
" " No. 2447, Jan. 7, 1854,	9	53		
" " " 2458, " 31, "	6	23		
" " " 2479, March 11 "	5	85		
" " " 2499, May 3, "	15	86		
" " " 2540, " 31, "	8	02		
" " " 2578, June 30, "	4	94		
" " " 2610, Aug. 10, "	7	64		
" " " 2659, Oct. 31, "	9	85		
" " " 2689, Feb. 13, 1855,	5	90		
" " " 2715, April 30, "	10	00		
" " " 2818, July, 31, "	4	29		
" " " 2870, Oct. 31, "	1	88	94	54

On account of School Fund, for 1853.

DR.

To amt. rec'd up to 31st Oct., 1854, per Register page 1105,	137	97		
To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct., 1855, per Register page 1107,	32	44	170	41

CR.

By am't refunded J. De Cordova, on Rec't No. 520,	1	33		
" Dep. War't No. 2435, December 2d, 1853,	17	37		
" Dep. War't No. 2448, January 7, 1854,	9	49		
" Dep. War't No. 2459, Jan. 31, 1854,	6	35		
" Dep. War't No. 2480, March 11, 1854,	15	27		

By am't Dep. War't No. 2500, May 3d, 1854,	31 49		
" Dep. War't No. 2541, " 31, "	17 05		
" " " " 2579, June 30, "	14 75		
" " " " 2611, Aug. 10, "	12 00		
" " " " 2658, Oct. 31, "	14 20		
" " " " 2690, Feb. 13, 1855,	8 95		
" " " " 2716, April 30, "	15 05		
" " " " 2819, July 31, "	4 68		
" " " " 2871, Oct. 31, "	2 43	170	41

On account of School Fund for 1854.

DR.

To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct., 1855, per Register, page 1107,		83	57

CR.

By am't Dep. War't, No. 2691, Feb. 13, 1855,	16 82		
" Dep. War't No. 2724, Apr. 30, 1855,	27 63		
" " " " 2820, July 31, "	34 79		
" " " " 2872, Oct. 31, "	4 33	83	57

On account of Rail Road Tax due Bexar County for 1852.

DR.

To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct., 1854, per Register page 1105,	28 66		
To am't overpaid, carried to credit of acct. for 1855,	37 28		
To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct., 1855, per Register, page 1106,	12 11		
To am't overpaid carried to county tax acc't, 1852,	15 42	93	47

CR.

By am't Dep. War't No. 492, March 11, 1854,	4 61		
" " " " 495, " " "	37 28		
" " " " 503, May, 3, "	3 11		
" " " " 580, June 30, "	2 94		
" " " " 605, Aug. 10, "	2 30		

By am't Dep. Wa'r't No. 651, Oct. 31, "	15 70		
" " " " 679, April 30, 1855,	25 94		
" " " " 817, Oct. 31, "	1 59	93	47

On account of Railroad Tax due Bexar County, for 1853.

DR.

To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct, 1854, per Register, page, 1105,	210 98		
To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct., 1855, per Register, page 1107,	67 28		
		278	26

CR.

By am't Dep. War't, No. 464, December 2d, 1853,	71 64		
" Dep. War't No. 494, March 11, 1854,	5 89		
" " " " 505, May 3d, "	15 29		
" " " " 546, " 31, "	5 93		
" " " " 582, June 30, "	73 57		
" " " " 607, Aug. 10, "	8 18		
" " " " 649, Oct. 31, "	30 48		
" " (In part) " 666, Feb. 13, 1855,	1 47		
" " " " 681, April 30, "	63 78		
" " " " 817, Oct. 31, "	2 03		
		278	26

On account of Railroad Tax due Bexar County, for 1854.

DR.

To am't rec'd up to 31st Oct. 1855. per Register, page 1107,		132	29

CR.

By am't Dep. War't No. 666, (In part) Feb. 13, 1855,	9 20		
" Dep. War't No. 683, Apr. 30, 1855,	79 72		
" " " " 769, July 31, "	40 83		
" " " " 817, (In p't) Oct. 31, "	2 54		
		132	29

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Austin, November 28th, 1855.

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, Nov. 28th, 1855.

I certify that the payments specified in the foregoing eleven pages have been duly received by the Treasurer, as appears from the books and archives of this office.

JAS. H. RAYMOND, Treasurer.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, Nov. 28th, 1855.

I certify the foregoing eleven pages to be a correct statement of the account of JAMES B. SHAW, Comptroller, as taken from the books and archives of this office, and that the same has been correctly compiled therefrom.

GEORGE J. DURHAM,
Chief Clerk Comptroller's Office.

"G."

Estimate of Receipts and Expenditures for the year ending October 31st, 1856.

RECEIPTS.

Probable amount to be received from suits now pending,	8,000	00		
Probable amount to be received from Land Dues, Patent Fees, Fees of Office, &c.,	9,000	00		
Amount of outstanding instalments due on sales of Austin City Lots,	9,698	00		
	26,698	00		
Less 10 per cent. for School Fund,	2,669	80		
	24,028	20		
Amount of Interest on $1,575,000, U. S. Bonds from 1st July, 1855 to 31st October, 1856,	105,000	00	129,028	20
Balance in the Treasury on October 31st, 1855,			1,614,748	14
		$	1,743,776	34

EXPENDITURES.

Legislative.

Expenses of a Session for 100 days, viz:				
Pay of members,	61,500	00		
Mileage "	13,260	00		
Pay of Officers,	11,000	00		
Contingent expenses, including printing,	26,000	00		
Printing Laws and Journals,	7,500	00		
Distributing Laws, Journals and Reports of Supreme Court,	2,000	00	121,260	00

Executive.

Executive Office,	3,500	00		
State Department,	3,700	00		
Treasurer's Office,	3,200	00		
Comptroller's Office,	11,250	00		
Auditor's Office,	2,000	00		
General Land Office,	25,000	00		

Adjutant General's Office,	1,500	00		
Attorney General's Office,	2,100	00	52,250	00
			$173,510	00
Judiciary.				
Salary of Judges, Supreme Court,	6,000	00		
" " " District "	24,500	00		
" " Attorneys " "	7,000	00		
" " Additional Judge and Attorney in new District, and Mileage of Judges, &c.,	8,000	00		
Contingent expenses of 3 branches Supreme Court,	3,000	00		
Printing Reports of Supreme Court,	3,000	00		
Expense of fitting up branch of Supreme Court at Galveston and Tyler,	2,000	00	53,500	00
Penitentiary.				
Salary of Superintendent,	1,200	00		
" " Clerk,	900	00		
Support of Penitiary,	21,400	00	23,500	00
Public Buildings.				
Erection of new General Land Office.	40,000	00		
Ornamenting and Grading Capitol Grounds,	10,000	00		
Completing Governor's Residence & Fencing grounds,	6,000	00	56,000	
Miscellaneous.				
Survey of Land Scrip for 1854,	500	00		
do do " 1856,	1,500	00		
Pensions for 1856,	1,000	00		
Indemnification of owners of Slaves heretofore executed,	1,500	00		
Indemnification of owners of Slaves for 1856.	5,000	00		
Apprehension of Criminals in the State,	5,000	00		
Pay of Superintendent of Public Buildings,	1,200	00		
Publishing Proclamations,	5,000	00		
Other items not herein enumerated,	5,000	00		

Apprehension of Fugitives from justice out of the State,	5,000	00	30,700	00
			$337,210	00
To which should be added the am't heretofore appropriated up to October 31, 1855, yet undrawn, say,	.....		13,000	00
Total estimated expense for the year ending October 31, 1856.			$350,210	00

ADDENDA TO THE FOREGOING ESTIMATE.

Showing the estimated expense of the Government for the year 1856 *and the sufficiency of the revenue from Direct and License tax to discharge the same at the present rate of taxation also, the insufficiency thereof at a reduced rate of* 12 1-2 *c. on the* $100, *allowing* 12 1-2 *per cent increase on the revenue of* 1856 *over* 1855.

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855 per Ass't Rolls,	246,252	90		
Add 12 1-2 per cent. increase for 1856 over 1855,	30,781	61		
Add Licenses for 1856 same as 1855,	23,026	96	300,061	47
Deduct expenses, to wit:				
14 per cent. on Ad Val. and Poll tax,	38,784	83		
8 " " " License "	1,842	15		
10 " " of Nett Revenue for School Fund,	25,943	44	66,570	42
Leaving for the Nett Revenue of 1856, at 15 c. on the $100,	.....		$233,491	05
The following shows the inadequacy of the revenue at the reduced rate of 12 1-2 *on the* $100 *to meet the expenses of* 1856:				
Am't Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855 as above,	246,252	90		
Increase on same at 12 1-2 per cent. for 1856,	30,781	60		
Licenses tax for 1856 same as 1855,	23,026	96	300,061	46

Deduct as follows, to wit:				
Decrease of Ad Val. Tax from 15 to 12 1-2 c. per $100,	42,238	20		
Expense on Ad Val. and Poll Tax at 14 per cent.,	32,871	48		
Expense on License Tax at 8 per cent.,	1,842	15		
10 per cent. on Nett Revenue for School Fund,	22,310	96	99,262	79
Leaving this amount of nett revenue for 1856 at 12 1 2 on the 100,	.....		$200,798	67

Statement showing the legitimate expenses of the State Government for 1856 *as estimated in document* "G."

Amount one-half expense of the Legislative branch of the Government, the Sessions being biennial,	$60,630	00
Am't Expense of the Executive branch of the Government,	52,250	00
Am't Expense of the Judicial branch of the Government,	51,500	00
A'mt Expense of the Penitentiary branch of the Government,	23,500	00
Am't Miscellaneous Expenses of Gov't for 1856,	30,700	00
Total estimated legitimate expense of Government for 1856,	$218,580	00

Showing an excess of the revenue of $14,911,05 at 15 c. on the $100 over the expenditures of 1856, and a deficit of $17,781.33 to meet the expenditures at the reduced rate of 12 1-2 cents on the $100.

The following exhibits the probable receipts for 1867, *at each of the rates, adding* 10 *per cent. increase for* 1857 *over* 1856 :

Am't of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1856 at 15 c.,	277,034	50		
Am't of increase on same for 1857 at 10 per cent.,	27,703	45		
Am't License Taxes for 1857 at 10 per cent. increase over 1856,	26,329	66	331,067	61

Deduct as follows, to wit:				
14 per cent. on the Ad Val. and Poll Tax,	42,663	31		
8 per cent. on the License Tax,	2,106	37		
10 per cent. Nett Revenue for School Fund,	28,629	79	73,399	47
Total probable receipts for 1857 at 15 c. per $100,			$257,668	14
Am't of Ad Val. and Poll Tax as above,	304,737	95		
Am't of License Tax as above,	26,329	66	331,67	61
Deduct as follows, to wit:				
Difference between 12 1-2 and 15c. on $100 ad val. tax,	46,172	42		
14 per cent. on ad val. and Poll tax,	36,199	17		
8 " " " License tax,	2,106	37		
10 " " " Nett Revenue, for School Fund,	24,658	96	109,136	92
Total probable receipts for 1857 at 12 1-2 cents on the $100,			221,930	69

Which shows that although the reduced rate is insufficient to meet the expenditures of 1856, by a sum of $17,781.33, yet by the increased value of property at the rate of 10 per cent. for 1857 over 1856, it becomes adequate to the expenditures; the preceding estimate of the expenditures being applicable to 1857 as well as to the preceding year.

If the Legislature should think it proper to adopt the Comptroller's suggestion in relation to imposing an additional tax for vending spirituous liquors, then the additional sum of $22,800 54c. should be added to the foregoing estimates.

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

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The following statements exhibit the entire taxable property of the State for the years 1854 and increase and decrease of each and every item; the number of acres of land rendered for tax each of said years, and, also, the License tax for the years 1854 and 1855.

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Items of Taxation.	VALUATION. For 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. For 1854. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	DECREASE. DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
285,000 acres of Land,	651,600			
254,745 " "		502,940		
30,255 increase.			148,660	
380 Town Lots,	64,400			
346 "		44,800		
34 increase.			19,600	
1,917 Negroes,	1,085,760			
1,348 "		722,880		
569 increase.			362,880	
1,709 Horses,	122,180			
1,339 "		95,420		
370 increase.			26,760	
13,250 Cattle,	70,180			
10,644 "		55,000		
2,606 increase.			15,180	
38 mon'y lend's, am't lent	22,060			
43 " "		23,560		
5 decrease.				1,500
15 Stores, Mdze on hand,	42,400			
12 " "		51,640		
3 increase.				9,240
Miscellaneous Property,	90,833	57,246	33,587	
Property out of the County.				
247,631 acres of land,	152,000			
244,476 " "		135,734		
3,155 increase.			16,266	
" Town Lots,				
2 "		820		
2 decrease.				820
12 Horses,	300			
"				
12 increase.			300	
100 Cattle,	700			
"				
100 increase.			700	
Total,	2,302,413	1,690,040	623,933	11,560

1855, *showing each county separately with the value of the property; the tax thereon; the ation in each county, and the average valuation of land per acre situated in the county for*

COUNTY.

Revenue on items of Taxation.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	977	40	754	41
" Town Lots,	96	60	67	20
" Negroes,	1,628	64	1,084	32
" Horses,	183	27	143	13
" Cattle,	105	27	82	50
" Money at interest,	44	12	47	12
" Merchandize,	63	60	77	46
" Miscellaneous property	136	25	85	87
Poll Tax,	313	00	292	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property	3,548	15	2,634	01
out of the County,	229	50	204	83
Total revenue from Ad Val. and Poll Tax,	3,777	65	2,838	84

License Tax.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
On Merchandize,	234	09	278	15
" Spirits,	200	34	162	48
" Pedlars,	6	66		
" Exhibitions,			8	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	441	09	448	96

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,		$ 3,777 65
" " " " " 1854,		2,838 84
	Increase,	938 81
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		441 09
" " " 1854,		448 96
	Decrease,	$ 7 87
Average value of land per acre in the county, for 1855,		$2 99
" " " " " " " 1854,		1 98
	Increase,	1 01

Items of Taxation.	VALUATION. 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. 1854. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	DECREASE. DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
78,709 acres of land,	97,260			
52,953 "		75,480		
25,756 increase,			21,780	
38 town lots,	4,020			
27 "		4,520		
11 increase,				500
291 Negroes,	135,980			
303 "		144,560		
12 decrease,				8,580
569 Horses,	30,860			
683 "		33,920		
114 decrease,				3,060
8,832 Cattle,	48,240			
7,708 "		37,920		
1124 increase.			10,320	
2 mon'y lend's, am't lent	5,130			
" " " "				
2 increase,			5,130	
5 stores, Mrdz. on hand,	3,900			
9 " " "		8,330		
4 decrease,				4.430
Miscellaneous Property,	18,386	23,246		4,860
Property out of the Co.				
16,348 acres of land,	17,460			
21,429 " "		15,216		
5,081 decrease.			2,442	
1 town lot,	50			
1 "		50		
Negroes,				
Horses,				
50 "		1,700		
50 decrease,				1,700
314 Cattle,	1,626			
660 "		3,300		
36 de crease,				1,674
Total,	362,912	348,242	39,474	24,804

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Revenue on Items of Taxation.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
	DOLLS	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	145	89	113	22
" " Town Lots,	6	03	6	78
" " Negroes,	203	97	216	84
" " Horses,	46	29	50	88
" " Cattle,	72	36	56	88
" " Money at interest,	10	26		
" " Merchandize,	7	80	16	66
" " Miscellaneous Prop'y,	27	58	34	87
Poll Tax,	104	50	106	50
	624	68	602	63
Ad val. tax on property out of the County.	28	70	30	40
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	653	38	633	03

License Tax.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
On Merchandize,	7	93	7	93
" Spirits,	100	00	33	33
" Pedlars,	20	00	3	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	127	93	44	59

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	$653 38
" " " " " 1854,	633 03
Increase,	$20 35
Amount of license tax for 1855,	$127 93
" " " 1854,	44 59
Increase,	$84 34
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	$1 24
" " " " " " " 1854,	1 42
Decrease,	81

Items of Taxation.	VLAUATION. 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. 1854. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	DECREASE. DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
304,229 acres of Land,	1,046,080			
286,225 " "		845,300		
18,004 increase.			200,780	
128 Town Lots,	25,940			
114 " "		15,640		
14 increase.			10,300	
2,353 Negroes,	1,174,600			
1,964 "		1,005,600		
389 increase.			169,000	
3,447 Horses,	160,760			
3,347 "		142,160		
100 increase.			18,600	
33,019 Cattle,	194,620			
29,900 "		156,800		
3,119 increase.			37,820	
30 Money Lenders,	33,420			
21 " "		32,060		
9 increase.			1,360	
22 Stores, Mdze on hand,	28,650			
22 " " "		30,500		
				1850
Miscellaneous Property,	105,566	101,620	3,946	
Property out of the Co.				
273,154 acres of Land,	227,528			
296,723 " "		234,330		
23,569 decrease.				6,802
6 Town Lots,	260			
12 " "		6,310		
6 decrease.				6,050
Total,	2,997,424	2,570,320	441,806	14,70[illegible]

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Revenue on Items of Taxation.	For 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	For 1854. DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	1,569	12	1,267	95
" " Town Lots,	38	91	23	46
" " Negroes,	1,761	90	1,508	40
" " Horses,	241	14	213	24
" " Cattle,	291	93	235	20
" " Money at interest,	66	84	64	12
" " Merchandize,	57	30	61	00
" " Miscellaneous property,	158	35	152	43
Poll Tax,	352	50	325	50
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	4537	99	3,851	30
	341	68	360	96
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	4,879	67	4,212	26

License Tax.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
On Merchandize,	101	60	183	30
" Spirits,			70	00
" Pedlars,	12	00	6	50
" Ten Pin Alleys,			25	00
Total revenue from license tax,	113	60	284	80

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	$4,879 67
" " " " " 1854,	4,212 26
Increase,	$667 41
Amount of license tax for 1855,	$113 60
" " " 1854,	284 80
Decrease	$171 20
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	$3 44
" " " " " " 1854,	2, 96
Increase,	48

Items of Taxation.	VALUATION. For 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. For 1854. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	DECREASE. DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
242,863 acres of Land,	1,004,780			
246,334 " "		940,560		
3,471 decrease,			64,220	
299 Town Lots,	94,580			
372 " "		106,100		
73 decrease,				11,520
1,748 Negroes,	880,540			
1,402 "		800,800		
346 increase,			79,740	
3,031 Horses,	152,4 40			
2,728 "		136,320		
303 increase,			16,120	
25,502 Cattle,	147,840			
23,388 "		118,120		
2,114 increase,			29,720	
42 mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	31,810			
41 " " " "		27,120		
1 increase,			4,690	
13 stores, medz. on h'nd.	67,880			
14 " " "		84,220		
1 decrease,				16,340
Miscellaneous Property,	133,726	103,906	29,820	
Property out of the Co.				
250,194 acres of Land,	278,060			
256,642 " "		262,806		
6,448 decrease,			15,254	
7 Town Lots,	6,200			
2 " "		150		
5 increase,			6,050	
90 Cattle,	540			
1,070 "		5,440		
980 decrease,				4,900
Total,	2,798,396	2,585,542	245,614	32,760

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Revenue on Items of Taxation.	For 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	For 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	1,507	17	1,410	84
" " " " Town Lots,	141	37	159	15
" " " " Negroes,	1,320	81	1,201	20
" " " " Horses,	228	66	204	48
" " " " Cattle,	221	76	177	18
" " " " Money at interest,	65	62	54	24
" " " " Merchandize,	101	82	126	33
" " " " Miscellaneous property,	200	59	155	86
Poll Tax,	276	50	269	00
Amount of Ad Val. tax on property out of the county,	4,062	80	3,758	28
	427	20	402	59
Total rev'nue from ad val and poll tax,	4,490	00	4,160	87

License Tax.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
On Merchandize.	249	27	184	38
" Spirits,	133	35	174	28
" Pedlars,	16	66	10	00
" Exhibitions,	25	02	8	00
Total revenue from License tax,	424	30	376	66

Am't of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855, $4,490 00
" " " " " " 1854, 4,160 87

Increase, $329 13

Am't of License tax for 1855, $424 30
" " " " " 1854, 376 66

Increase, $47 64

Average value of Land per acre in the county, for 1855, $4 14
" " " " " " " " " 1854, 3 82

Increase, 32

Items of Taxation.	VALUATION. For 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. For 1854. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	DECREASE. DOLLARS
Property in the County				
181,024 Acres of Land,	367,220			
140,540 "		224,753		
40,484 increase,			142,467	
126 Town Lots,	25,200			
122 "		14,800		
4 increase,			10,400	
466 Negroes,	240,120			
375 "		192,100		
91 increase,			48,020	
2,119 Horses.	95,780			
1,938 "		78,346		
181 increase,			17,434	
13,922 Cattle,	82,920			
12,088 "		71,660		
1834 increase,			11,260	
7 mon'y lend's, am't lent	3,415			
5 " " " "		1,580		
2 increase,			1,835	
10 stores, Mrdz on hand,	21,960			
12 " " " "		19,960		
2 decrease,			2,000	
Miscellaneous Property	30,206	22,553	7,653	
Property out of the Co.				
163,443 Acres of Land,	122,300			
146,104 " " "		100,212		
17,339 increase,			22,088	
12 Town Lots,	3,440			
5 " "		920		
7 increase,			2,520	
" Negroes,				
" "				
" increase,				
" Horses,				
9 "		460		
9 decrease,				460
685 Cattle,	3,140			
400 "		2,000		
285 increase,			1,140	
Total,	995,701	729,344	266,817	460

COUNTY.

Revenue on Items of Taxation.	For 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	For 1854. DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	550	83	337	13
" " Town Lots,	37	80	22	20
" " Negroes,	360	18	288	15
" " Horses,	143	67	117	52
" " Cattle,	124	38	107	49
" " Money at interest,	6	83	3	16
" " Merchandize,	32	94	29	94
" " Miscellaneous property,	45	31	33	83
Poll Tax,	188	50	198	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property	1,490	44	1,137	42
out of the County,	193	32	155	38
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,683	76	1,292	80

License Tax.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
On Merchandize.	89	93	101	61
" Spirits,			224	92
" Pedlars,	10	00	10	00
" Ten Pin Alleys,			6	66
Total revenue from license tax.	99	93	343	19

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,683	76
" " " " " 1854,	1,292	80
Increase,	390	96
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	99	93
" " " " 1854,	343	19
Decrease,	243	26
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	03
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	60
Increase,		43

Items of Taxation.	VALUATION. For 1854. DOLLARS.	VALUATION For 1855. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	D'CREASE. DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
1,268,772 acres of Land,	1,849,880			
1,328,330 " "		1,525,900		
59,558 decrease,			323,980	
1,924 Town Lots,	1,364,140			
1,780 " "		1,084,440		
144 increase,			279,700	
979 Negroes,	583,500			
706 "		407,400		
273 increase,			176,100	
3,786 Horses,	138,480			
2,838 "		91,400		
948 increase,			47,080	
39,172 Cattle;	289,560			
29,160 "		197,320		
10,012 increase,			92,240	
18 mon'y lend's, am't lent	40,000			
8 " " " "		13,240		
10 increase,			26,760	
71 Stores, Mdz. on hand	37[illegible],080			
61 " " "		336,900		
10 increase,			37,180	
Miscellaneous Property.	100,980	85,986	14,994	
Property out of the Co.				
649,416 acres of Land,	582,870			
734,970 " "		511,060		
85,554 decrease,			71,810	
44 Town Lots,	13,000			
39 " "		10,700		
5 increase,			2,300	
1 Negroes,	1,000			
3 "		1,200		
2 decrease,				200
5 Horses,	100			
40 "		500		
35 decrease,				400
1,100 Cattle,	6,800			
2,900 "		14,600		
1,800 decrease,				7,800
Total,	5,344,390	1,280,646	41,072,14	8,400

COUNTY.

Revenue on Items of Taxation.	For 1855.		For 1854.	
	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	2,774	82	2,288	85
" " Town Lots,	2,046	21	1,620	66
" " Negroes,	875	25	611	10
" " Horses,	207	72	137	10
" " Cattle,	434	34	295	98
" " Money at interest,	80	00	26	48
" " Merchandize,	561	12	505	35
" " Miscellaneous property,	151	47	128	98
Poll Tax,	614	50	510	50
Amount of Ad val. tax on property out of the County,	7,745	43	6,131	00
	905	65	807	09
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	8,651	08	6,938	09

License Tax,	For 1855.		For 1854.	
NOTE.—No license returns rec'd for either year.				
Total revenue from License Tax,				

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	$8,651 08
" " " " " " 1854,	6,938 09
Increase,	$1,712 99

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	$1 46
" " " " " " " 1854,	1 15
Increase,	31

Items of Taxation.	VALUATION. For 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. For 1854. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS	DECREASE DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
16,446 acres of Land,	2,6580			
21 Town Lots,	1,240			
34 Negroes,	17,580			
361 Horses,	13,760			
1402 Cattle,	10,740			
1 Money Lender,	1,100			
2 Stores, Mdze on hand,	370			
Miscellaneous Property,	3,113			
Property out of the Co.				
2717 acres of Land,	1,540			
1 Town Lot,	30			
Total,	7,6053			

NOTE.—Not organized until 1855.

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad valorem and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	39	87		
" " Town Lots,	1	86		
" " Negroes,	26	37		
" " Horses,	20	64		
" " Cattle,	16	11		
" " Money at interest,	2	20		
" " Merchandize,		55		
" " Miscela's property	4	67		
" Poll Tax,	28	50		
Amount of ad valorem tax on property out of the county,	140	77		
	2	35		
Total revenue from ad val. and Poll Tax.	143	12		
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
NOTE.—No License collected for 1855				
Total revenue from License Tax,				

Amount of Ad Valorem and Poll Tax for 1855, 143 12
" " " " " " 1854,

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855, 1 62
" " " " " " " 1854,

NOTE.—

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCR'ESE	DECR'SE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
266,970 acres of land,	298,300			
281,015 " "		305,000		
14,045 decrease,				6,700
132 Town lots,	15,820			
135 " "		18,080		
3 decrease,				2,260
1,866 Negroes,	815,460			
1,746 "		808,300		
120 increase,			7,160	
1,089 Horses,	64,880			
997 "		60,780		
92 increase,			4,100	
5,153 Cattle,	26,780			
5,209 "		26,880		
56 decrease,				100
11 Money lenders, am't lent,	7,240			
12 " " "		4,900		
1 decrease,			2,340	
9 Stores Mdze. on hand,	22,840			
8 " " "		16,200		
1 increase,			6,640	
Miscellaneous Property,	22,813	25,463		2,650
Property out of the County.				
34,159 acres of land,	22,380			
31,108 " "		20,560		
3,051 increase,			1,820	
1 Town lot,	340			
"				
1 increase,			340	
Total,	1,296,853	1,286,163	22,490	11,710

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Amount of tax on land,	447	45	457	50
" Town Lots,	23	73	27	12
" Negroes,	1,223	19	1,212	45
" Horses,	97	32	91	17
" Cattle,	40	17	40	32
" Money at interest,	14	48	9	80
" Merchandize,	34	26	24	30
" Mescellaneous prop'ty,	34	22	38	19
Poll Tax,	115	00	117	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	2,029	82	2,017	85
	34	08	30	84
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and poll tax,	2,063	90	2,048	69

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	99	76	56	46
" Spirits,			133	33
" Pedlars,	3	33		
Total revenue from License Tax,	103	09	189	79

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	2,063	90
" " " " 1854,	2,048	69
Increase,	15	21
Amount of License tax for 1855,	103	09
" " " 1854,	189	79
Decrease,	860	70
Average value of Land per acre in the County for 1855,	1	12
" " " " " 1854,	1	08
Increase,		04

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	D'CREASE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
376,430 Acres of Land,	1,629,820			
360,131 "		1,565,800		
16,299 increase,			64,020	
540 Town Lots,	136,080			
520 "		126,380		
20 increase,			9,700	
4,292 Negroes,	2,025,520			
3,962 "		1,906,780		
330 increase,			118,740	
4,261 Horses,	151,860			
4,104 "		128,720		
increase,			23,140	
49,671 Cattle,	243,680			
42,614 "		190,160		
7,057 increase,			53,520	
19 mon'y lend's, am't lent	28,670			
8 " " " "		26,160		
11 increase,			2,510	
21 stores, mdze. on hand,	79,880			
13 " " "		56,300		
8 increase,			23,580	
Miscellaneous Property,	134,646	117,620	17,026	
Property out of the Co.				
1,109,557 Acres of Land,	742,813			
1,133,917 " " "		626,300		
24,360 decrease,			116,513	
286 Town Lots,	14,540			
285 " "		12,740		
1 increase,			1,800	
2 Negroes,	700			
2 increase,			700	
315 Horses,	7,020			
200 "		4,000		
115 increase,			3,020	
4,000 Cattle,	20,000			
6,100 "		29,000		
2,100 decrease,				9,000
Miscellaneous Property,	7,653		7,653	
Total,	5,222,882	4,789,960	441,922	9,000

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	FOR 1854 DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	2,444	73	2,348	70
" " Town Lots,	204	12	189	57
" " Negroes,	3,038	28	2,860	17
" " Horses,	227	79	193	08
" " Cattle,	365	62	285	24
" " Money at Interest,	57	34	52	32
" " Merchandize,	119	82	84	45
" " Miscellaneous Prop'ty,	201	97	176	43
Poll Tax,	170	00	133	50
	6,829	67	6,323	46
Amount of Ad val. Tax on Property out of the County,	1,189	09	1,008	06
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	8,018	76	7,331	52

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	201	29	211	44
" Spirits,			200	00
" Pedlars,	3	33		
" Billiards,	12	50	50	00
Total Revenue from License Tax,	217	12	461	44

Amount of ad val. and poll tax, for 1855,	8,018	76
" " " 1854,	7,331	52
Increase,	687	24
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	217	12
" " " 1854,	461	44
Decrease,	244	32
Average val. of land per acre in the county for 1855,	4	33
" " " " 1854,	4	35
Decrease,		02

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
102,724, Acres of Land,	207,600			
114,019, " "		180,700		
11,295 decrease,			26,900	
30 Town Lots,	4,340			
57 "		7,220		
27 decrease,				2,880
427 Negroes,	234,600			
427 "		235,900		
"				1,300
754 Horses,	42,160			
681 "		36,780		
73 increase,			5,380	
13,762 Cattle,	72,860			
10,049 "		58,260		
3,713 increase,			14,600	
11 mon'y len'rs, am't lent	9,020			
10 " " "		9,820		
1 increase,				800
3 stores, merc'd'z on hand	5,500			
2 " " "		5,010		
1 increase,			490	
Miscellaneous property,	9,813	6,706	3,107	
Property out of the Co.				
52,985 Acres of Land,	59,313			
42,786 " "		46,936		
10,199 increase,			12,377	
Town Lots,				
2 "		2,100		
2 decrease,				2,100
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
10 "		650		
10 decrease,				650
Cattle,				
60 "		360		
60 decrease,				360
Total,	645,206	590,442	62,854	8,090

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854 DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	311	40	271	05
" " Town lots,	6	51	10	83
" " Negroes,	351	90	353	85
" " Horses,	63	24	55	17
" " Cattle,	109	29	87	39
" " Money at interest,	18	04	19	64
" " Merchandize,	11	00	10	02
" " Miscela's property,	14	72	10	06.
Poll Tax,	66	00	63	50
	952	10	881	51
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the County,	88	97	75	07
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll tax,	1,041	07	956	58

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	16	55	19	05
On Spirits,	91	66	41	66
Total rev'ue from License Tax,	108	21	60	71

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,		1,041 07
" " " " " " 1854,		956 58
	Increase,	84 49
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		108 21
" " " " 1854,		60 71
	Increase,	47 50
Avr'ge val. of land pr. acre in the County for 1855,		2 02
" " " " " " " 1854,		1 59
	Increase,	43

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
200,126 Acres of land,	480,380			
188,721 " "		449,000		
11,405 increase,			31,380	
242 Town lots,	23,580			
232 " "		21,280		
10 increase,			2,300	
1,047 Negroes,	560,160			
904 "		511,840		
143 increase,			48,320	
1,852 Horses,	99,140			
1,483 "		73,080		
369 increase,			26,060	
26,009 Cattle,	152,640			
22,199 "		128,940		
3,810 increase,			23,700	
9 Mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	10,530			
14 " " " "		7,940		
5 decrease,			2,590	
12 Stores Mdz. on hand,	22,800			
10 " " "		21,020		
2 increase,			1,780	
Miscellaneous Property,	44,746	25,553	19,193	
Property out of the Co.				
155,697 Acres of land,	174,695			
179,825 " "		201,536		
24,128 decrease,				26,841
7 Town lots,	200			
5 "		250		
2 increase,				50
7 Negroes,	4,800			
"				
7 increase,			4,800	
8 Horses,	360			
"				
8 increase,			360	
Total,	1,574,031	1,440,439	160,483	26,891

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	720	57	673	50
" " Town Lots,	35	37	31	92
" " Negroes,	840	24	767	76
" " Horses,	148	71	109	62
" " Cattle,	228	96	193	41
" " Money at interest	21	06	15	88
" " Merchandize,	34	20	31	53
" " Miscel's property,	67	12	38	33
Poll Tax,	190	00	183	00
	2,286	23	2,044	95
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	270	08	302	68
Total rev'e from ad val. and poll tax.	2,556	31	2,347	63

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	85	97	104	48
" Spirits,			52	06
" Pedlars,	13	33		
Total revenue from License Tax,	99	30	156	54

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax, for 1855,	2,556	31
" " " 1854,	2,347	63
Increase,	208	68
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	99	30
" " " 1854,	156	54
Decrease,	57	24
Average val. of land per acre in the county, for 1855,	2	40
" " " " 1854,	2	38
Increase,		02

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. 1854. DOLLARS.	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	DECRE'SE DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
87,099 Acres of Land,	147,100			
56,450 "		75,785		
30,649 increase,			71,315	
170 Town Lots,	18,300			
154 "		15,555		
16 increase,			2,745	
150 Negroes,	81,900			
67 "		37,800		
83 increase,			44,100	
703 Horses,	33,340			
442 "		22,635		
261 increase,			10,705	
9,021 Cattle,	52,280			
6,080 "		31,787		
2941 increase,			20,493	
12 Money Lenders,	9,146			
9 "		5,745		
3 increase,			3,401	
7 Stores m'dz on hand,	13,500			
3 " "		1,675		
4 increase,			11,825	
Miscellaneous property,	21,680	16,900	4,780	
Property out of the Co.				
29,305 Acres of Land,	41,153			
15,450 "		15,330		
13,855 increase,			25,823	
1 Town Lot,	200			
1 "		200		
Total,	418,599	223,412	495,187	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	220	65	113	68
" " Town lots,	27	45	23	33
" " Negroes,	122	85	56	70
" " Horses,	50	01	33	95
" " Cattle,	78	42	47	68
" " Money lenders,	18	29	11	49
" " Merchandize,	20	25	3	35
" " Mis'laneous property,	32	52	25	35
Poll tax,	133	50	89	50
	703	94	405	03
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the County,	62	03	23	29
Total rev'nue from ad val and poll tax,	765	97	428	32

License Tax.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	30	72	36	70
" Spirits,			83	33
" Pedlars,			10	00
Total revenue from License Tax,	30	72	130	03

Am't of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	765	97
" " " " " " 1854,	428	32
Increase,	337	65
Am't of License tax for 1855,	30	72
" " " " " 1854,	130	03
Decrease,	99	31
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	69
" " " " " " " " " " 1854,	1	34
Increase,		35

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the County.				
137,225 Acres of land,	620,040			
117,656 "		500,040		
19,569 increase,			120,000	
232 Town lots,	107,440			
213 "		101,280		
19 increase,			6,160	
1,171 Negroes,	691,480			
885 "		569,840		
286 increase,			121,640	
4,113 Horses,	174,560			
2,938 "		132,160		
1,175 increase,			42,400	
19,238 Cattle,	120,680			
15,171 "		91,280		
4,067 increase,			29,400	
20 Mon'y lend'rs, am't lent	11,640			
16 " "		9,605		
4 increase,			2,035	
12 Stores, m'dz. on hand,	42,180			
9 " "		45,420		
3 increase,				3,240
Miscellaneous property,	78,953	88,955		10,002
Property out of the Co.				
146,449 Acres of land,	108,320			
157,834 "		110,960		
11,385 decrease,				2,640
8 Town lots,	1,833			
3 "		2,000		
5 increase,				167
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
50 "		213		
50 decrease,				213
Total,	1,957,126	1,651,753	321,635	16,262

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on land,	930	06	750	06
" " Town lots,	161	16	151	92
" " Negroes,	1,037	22	854	76
" " Horses,	261	84	198	21
" " Cattle,	181	02	136	92
" " Money at interest,	23	28	19	21
" " Merchandize,	63	27	68	13
" " Miscela's property,	118	43	133	43
" Poll Tax,	249	00	220	50
	3,025	28	2,533	17
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	165	23	169	76
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	3,190	51	2,702	93
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	123	73	224	52
" Spirits,	66	66	150	00
" Pedlars,	16	66		
" Exhibitions,	11	11	16	60
" Billiards,	33	32		
" Auctioneers,			6	25
Total revenue from License Tax,	251	48	397	37

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	3,190	51
" " " " " " 1854,	2,702	93
Increase,	487	58
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	251	48
" " " " 1854,	397	37
Decrease,	145	89
Aver'ge value of land per acre, in the Co. for 1855,	4	52
" " " " " " " 1854,	4	25
Increase,		27

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the Co.				
124,700 acres of land,	153,200			
132,232 " "		146,260		
7,532 decrease,			6,940	
2,380 Town lots,	259,680			
2,376 " "		256,600		
4 increase,			3,080	
310 Negroes,	143,060			
292 "		138,000		
18 increase,			5,060	
915 Horses,	19,980			
960 "		22,440		
45 decrease,				2,460
16,384 Cattle,	82,160			
12,228 "		61,220		
4,156 increase,			20,940	
7 mon'y lend's, am't l't,	24,460			
5 " " "		9,460		
2 increase,			15,000	
36 St'r's, mdze. on h'nd	161,020			
27 " " "		146,900		
9 increase,			14,120	
Miscellan's property,	43,273	41,926	1,347	
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
280,057 acres of land,	197,320			
263,765 " "		158,660		
16,292 increase,			38,660	
18 Town lots,	1,620			
22 "		2,580		
4 decrease,				960
42 Negroes,	16,000			
41 "		20,000		
1 increase,				4,000
216 Horses,	4,540			
191 "		4,680		
25 increase,				140
4,705 Cattle,	18,520			
3,130 "		15,660		
1,575 increase,			2,860	
Miscellan's property,	386	426		40
Total,	1,125,219	1,024,812	108,007	7,600

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	229	80	219	39
" " Town lots,	389	52	384	90
" " Negroes,	214	59	207	00
" " Horses,	29	97	33	66
" " Cattle,	123	24	91	83
" " Money at interest	48	92	18	92
" " Merchandize,	241	53	220	39
" " Mis'laneous property,	64	91	62	89
Poll Tax,	120	50	111	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty	1,462	98	1,349	98
out of the County,	357	58	303	01
Tot'l rev'e fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	1,820	56	1,652	99

License Tax.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	787	31	895	26
" Spirits,	566	67	666	66
" Pedlars,	3	33	3	34
" Billiards,	350	00	383	32
" Ten Pins,			10	00
" Auctioneers,	75	00	41	68
Total revenue from License Tax,	1,782	31	2,000	26

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,820	56
" " " " " " 1854,	1,652	99
Increase,	167	57
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	1,782	31
" " " " 1854,	2,000	26
Decrease,	217	95
Aver'e value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	23
" " " " " " " " 1854,	1	10
Increase,		13

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
1,662,340 acres of land	417,280			
1,742,366 " "		472,600		
80,026 decrease,				55,320
279 Town lots,	229,680			
317 "		217,800		
38 decrease,			11,880	
15 Negroes,	4,700			
13 "		4,300		
2 increase,			400	
3,884 Horses,	37,360			
2,749 "		24,100		
1,135 increase,			13,260	
13,424 Cattle,	94,520			
8,397 "		52,340		
5,027 increase,			42,180	
1 mon'y lend'rs, am't l't,	5,000			
" " "				
1 increase,			5,000	
58 st'r's, m'ze on hand,	178,600			
63 " " "		171,200		
5 decrease,			7,400	
Miscellan's property,	96,673	50,346	46,327	
Property out of the Co.				
150,283 acres of land,	20,680			
157,786 " "		23,166		
7,503 decrease,				2,486
Total,	1,084,493	1,015,852	126,447	57,806

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'S	CTS
Ad val. and Poll Tax, on property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	625	92	708	90
" " Town Lots,	344	52	326	70
" " Negroes,	7	05	6	45
" " Horses,	56	04	36	15
" " Cattle,	141	78	78	51
" " Money at interest,	10	00		
" " Merchandize,	267	90	256	80
" " Miscel's property,	145	01	75	52.
Poll Tax,	416	50	379	00
	2,014	72	1,868	03
Am. of Ad val. Tax on property out of the County,	31	02	34	75
Total rev'e from ad val and poll tax,	2,045	74	1,902	78

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	347	06	573	60
" Spirits,	779	13	608	32
" Billiards,	91	66	100	00
" Pedlars,	13	32		
" Exhibitions,	8	33		
" Auctioneers,	62	49	54	13
" Commission Merchants,	136	66	115	00
" Restaurats,	42	50		
Total revenue from License Tax,	1,481	15	1,451	05

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	2,045	74
" " " 1854,	1,902	78
Increase,	142	96
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	1,481	15
" " " 1854,	1,451	05
Increase,	30	10
Average value of Land per acre in the county for 1855,		25
" " " " " 1854,		27
Decrease,		02

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	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
291,397 acres of Land,	581,100			
312,023 " "		496,700		
20,626 decrease,			84,400	
194 Town Lots,	40,140			
189 " "		38,480		
5 increase,			1,660	
2,286 Negroes,	1,058,480			
2,050 "		866,180		
236 increase,			192,300	
1,265 Horses,	76,280			
960 "		58,240		
305 increase,			18,040	
4,128 Cattle,	22,740			
3,565 "		16,780		
563 increase,			5,960	
29 Money Lenders,	22,460			
22 " "		20,480		
7 increase,			1,980	
21 Stores, Mdze on hand,	73,120			
19 " " "		47,780		
2 increase,			25,340	
Miscellaneous Property,	29,946	17,990	11,956	
Property out of the Co.				
249,331 acres of Land,	152,193			
282,944 " "		154,230		
33,613 decrease,				2,037
9 Town Lots,	400			
32 " "		452		
23 decrease,				52
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
"				
Total,	2,056,859	1,717,312	341,636	2,089

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	871	65	745	05
" " Town Lots,	60	21	57	72
" " Negroes,	1587	72	1,299	27
" " Horses,	114	42	87	36
" " Cattle,	34	11	25	17
" " Money at interest,	44	92	40	96
" " Merchandize,	109	68	71	67
" " Miscellaneous pr'p'y,	44	92	26	98
Poll Tax,	535	50	464	50
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	3,403	13	2,818	68
	228	89	232	02
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	3,632	02	3,050	70
Licesnse Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchaudize,	179	13	173	70
" Spirits,	100	00	133	34
" Pedlars,	3	33		
" Exhibitions,	16	66		
" Ten Pins,	13	33	6	66
" Restaurats,	25	00		
" Billiards,	83	33	16	66
Total revenue from License tax,	420	78	330	36

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	3,632	02
" " " " " 1854,	3,050	70
Increase,	581	32
Amount of license tax for 1855,	420	78
" " " 1854,	330	36
Increase,	90	42
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	00
" " " " " 1854,	1	60
Increase,		40

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
266,113 acres of Land,	786,620			
228,442 " "		554,480		
37,671 increase,			232,140	
208 Town Lots,	38,820			
206 " "		21,540		
2 increase,			17,280	
432 Negroes,	209,380			
406 "		181,540		
26 increase,			27,840	
2,316 Horses,	122,060			
2,073 "		114,680		
243 increase,			7,380	
11,098 Cattle,	86,480			
9,210 "		77,860		
1,888 increase,			8,620	
37 mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	11,000			
8 " " " "		3,620		
29 increase,			7,380	
10 stores, mdze. on h'nd	32,400			
8 " " "		23,400		
2 increase,			9,000	
Miscellaneous Property,	24,006	18,473	5,533	
Property out of the Co.				
51,492 acres of Land,	60,200			
58,540 " "		54,560		
7,048 decrease,			5,640	
4 Town Lots,	820			
26 " "		880		
22 decrease,				60
6 Negroes,	3,800			
"				
6 increase,			3,800	
1 Money lender, am't lent,	250			
" " "				
1 increase,			250	
Total,	1,375,836	1,051,033	324,863	60

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,	1,179	93	831	72
" " Town lots,	58	23	32	31
" " Negroes,	314	07	272	31
" " Horses,	183	09	172	02
" " Cattle,	129	72	116	79
" " Money at interest,	22	00	7	24
" " Merchandize,	48	60	35	10
" " Miscella's property	36	01	27	71
Poll tax,	357	50	379	50
	2,329	15	1,874	70
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the county,	97	73	83	16
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	2,426	88	1,957	86

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	46	56	56	31
" Spirits,			214	61
" Pedlars,	3	33	8	33
" Billiards,	29	17	31	68
" Exhibitions,			16	66
" Race track,			8	33
Total revenue from License tax,	79	06	335	92

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,426	88
" " " " " " 1854,	1,957	86
Increase,	469	02
Amount of license tax for 1855,	79	06
" " " " " 1854,	335	92
Decrease,	256	86
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	96
" " " " " " " " " 1854,	2	43
Increase,		53

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the county.				
212,329 Acres of Land,	776,560			
219,250 "		671,120		
6,921 decrease,			105,440	
299 Town Lots,	78,280			
292 "		78,940		
7 increase,				660
1,580 Negroes,	864,560			
1,415 "		810,280		
165 increase,			54,280	
1,869 Horses,	75,200			
1,848 "		72,300		
21 increase,			2,900	
12,908 Cattle,	77,720			
13,937 "		70,200		
1,029 decrease,			7,520	
5 mon'y lend's, am't lent	2,880			
6 " " " "		5,550		
1 decrease,				2,670
12 stores, Mrdz. on hand	41,500			
10 " " " "		57,900		
2 increase,				16,400
Miscellaneous Property	39,713	40,846		1,133
Property out of the Co.				
130,061 Acres of Land,	87,990			
143,631 " " "		90,640		
13,570 decrease,				2,650
3 Town Lots,	350			
5 " "		1,750		
2 decrease,				1,400
550 Cattle,	3,300			
"				
550 increase,			3,300	
Total,	2,048,053	1,899,526	173,440	24,913

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	1,164	84	1,006	68
" " Town lots,	117	42	118	41
" " Negroes,	1,296	84	1,215	42
" " Horses,	112	80	108	45
" " Cattle,	116	58	105	30
" " Money at interest,	5	76	11	10
" " Merchandize,	62	25	86	85
" " Miscellan's property,	59	57	61	27.
Poll Tax,	212	00	210	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property	3,148	06	2,923	48
out of the county.	137	46	138	58
Tot'l rev'ue fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	3,285	52	3,062	06

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	139	28	179	19
" Spirits,	25	08	166	66
" Pedlars,	14	64	13	34
" Exhibitions,	16	66		
" Ten Pins,			6	66
Total revenue from License tax,	195	66	365	85

Am't of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,		3,285 52
" " " " " 1854,		3,062 06
	Increase,	223 46
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		195 66
" " " " 1854,		365 85
	Decrease,	170 19
Aver'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,		3 66
" " " " " " " 1854,		3 06
	Increase,	60

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLRAS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the Co.				
110,700 acres of land,	292,080			
93,264 " "		198,160		
17,436 increase,			93,920	
491 Town lots,	119,300			
520 " "		95,080		
29 decrease,			24,220	
126 Negroes,	67,060			
79 "		39,860		
47 increase,			27,200	
944 Horses,	35,040			
810 "		25,160		
134 increase,			9,880	
10,495 Cattle,	85,420			
9,041 "		65,880		
1,454 increase,			19,540	
21 mon'y lend's, am't l't	10,780			
14 " " "		4,710		
7 increase,			6,070	
22 st'r's, md'ze on h'nd	53,460			
21 " " "		50,420		
1 increase,			3,040	
Miscellan's property,	44,746	40,346	4,400	
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
39,967 acres of land,	44,240			
35,620 " "		44,400		
4,347 increase,				160
24 Town lots,	2,100			
12 " "		1,350		
12 increase,			750	
Negroes,				
"				
4 Horses.	80			
"				
4 increase,			80	
95 Cattle,	540			
23 "		140		
72 increase,			400	
Miscellan's property,	300	1,000		700
Total,	755,146	566,506	189,500	860

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,	438	12	297	24
" Town Lots,	178	95	142	62
" Negroes,	100	59	59	79
" Horses,	52	56	37	74
" Cattle,	128	13	98	82
" Money at interest,	21	56	9	40
" Merchandize,	80	19	75	63
" Miscellan's prop'rty	67	12	60	52
Poll Tax,	291	50	281	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property	1,358	72	1,062	76
out of the county,	70	89	70	34
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll Tax,	1,429	61	1,133	10

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	139	09	157	82
" Spirits,	283	33	233	33
" Pedlars,			3	33
" Billiards,	50	00	50	00
" Exhibitions,	16	66		
" Ten Pins,	13	33	26	64
" Auctioneers,	8	33	8	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	510	74	479	45

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,		1,429 61
" " " " " 1854,		1,133 10
	Increase,	296 51
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		510 74
" " " 1854,		479 45
	Increase,	31 29
Av'r'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,		2 65
" " " " " " " 1854,		2 13
	Increase,	52

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOL'RS CTS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
83,926 acres of Land,	132,380			
66,492 " "		64,590		
17,434 increase,			67,790	
42 Town Lots,	2,980			
27 "		1,700		
15 increase,			1,280	
123 Negroes,	55,920			
69 "		37,650		
54 increase,			18,270	
400 Horses,	28,660			
197 "		13,880		
203 increase,			14,780	
4,328 Cattle,	43,060			
2,451 "		16,000		
1,877 increase,			27,060	
9 mon'y lend's, am't lent	2,240			
7 " " "		1,940		
2 increase,			300	
6 stores, Mdze on hand,	7,100			
" "				
6 increase,			7,100	
Miscellaneous Property,	16,726	2,194	14,532	
Property out of the County.				
18,861 acres of land,	24,100			
21,615 " "		25,673		
2,754 decrease,				1,573
1 Town Lot,	100			
1 "		75		
			25	
Total,	313,266	163,702	151,137	1,573

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	198	57	96	88
" " " " Town Lots.	4	47	2	55
" " " " Negroes,	83	88	56	47
" " " " Horses,	42	99	20	82
" " " " Cattle,	64	59	24	00
" " " " Money at interest,	4	49	3	88
" " " " Merchandize,	10	65		
" " " " Miscellaneous property,	25	09	3	29
Poll Tax,	153	50	88	50
Amount of Ad Val. tax on property out of the county,	588	23	296	39
	36	30	38	62
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax,	624	53	335	01

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	39	13	18	98
" Spirits,			50	00
" Pedlars,	3	33	6	66
Total revenue from License tax,	42	46	75	64

Am't of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	624	53
" " " " " " 1854,	335	01
Increase,	289	52
Am't of License tax for 1855,	42	46
" " " " " 1854,	75	64
Decrease,	33	18
Average value of Land per acre in the county, for 1855,	1	58
" " " " " " " " " 1854,	1	00
Increase,		58

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	D'CREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
54,689 acres of Land,	79,500			
23,540 " "		20,140		
31,149 increase,			59,360	
9 Town Lots,	1,100			
" "				
9 increase,			1,100	
139 Negroes,	76,560			
42 "		24,200		
97 increase,			52,360	
789 Horses,	41,540			
305 "		14,580		
484 increase,			26,960	
3,639 Cattle,	27,560			
974 "		6,880		
2,665 increase,			20,680	
10 mon'y lend's, am't lent	4,080			
" " " "				
10 increase,			4,080	
2 Stores, Mdz. on hand	5,000			
2 " " "		1,280		
			3,720	
Miscellaneous Property,	23,266	4,860	18,406	
Property out of the Co.				
18,455 acres of Land,	27,840			
6,428 " "		7,840		
12,027 increase,			20,000	
1 Town Lot,	300			
" "				
1 increase,			300	
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
603 Cattle,	3,560			
500 "		2,500		
103 decrease,			1,060	
Total,	290,306	82,280	208,026	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS.	FOR 1854 DOL'RS	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	119	25	30	21
" " Town lots,	1	65		
" " Negroes,	114	84	36	30
" " Horses,	62	31	21	87
" " Cattle,	41	34	10	32
" " Money at interest,	8	16		
" " Merchandize,	7	50	1	92
" " Miscellan's property,	34	90	7	29
Poll Tax,	110	00	45	00
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the county,	499	95	152	91
	47	55	15	51
T't'l rev'ue from Ad Val. and P'll t'x	547	50	168	42

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	38	12		
" Spirits,	22	90		
" Pedlars,	7	00		
NOTE.—No Licenses c'll'ct'd for 1854.				
Total revenue from License Tax,	68	02		

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	547	50
" " " " " " 1854,	168	42
Increase,	379	08
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	68	02
" " " " 1854,		
Increase,	68	02
Average value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	1	45
" " " " " " " 1854,		86
Increase,		59

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
307,168 acres of land,	991,800			
245,483 "		626,940		
61,685 increase,			364,860	
184 town lots,	50,000			
155 "		30,260		
29 increase,			19,740	
481 Negroes,	260,860			
331 "		170,880		
150 increase,			89,980	
2,624 Horses,	149,580			
1 965 "		104,010		
659 increase,			45,570	
13,192 Cattle,	120,900			
9,877 "		76,420		
3315 increase.			44,480	
53 mon'y len's, am't lent	25,110			
25 " " " "		12,580		
28 increase,			12,530	
14 stores, Mrdz. on hand,	72,840			
10 " " "		52,120		
4 increase,			20,720	
Miscellaneous Property,	51,426	23,073	28,353	
Property out of the Co.				
43,526 acres of land,	54,870			
24,294 " "		29,426		
19,232 increase,			25,444	
8 town lots,	250			
"				
8 increase,			250	
Total,	1,777,636	1,125,709	651,927	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on land,	1,487	70	940	41
" " Town lots,	75	00	45	39
" " Negroes,	391	29	256	32
" " Horses,	224	37	156	02
" " Cattle,	181	35	114	63
" " Money at interest,	50	22	25	16
" " Merchandize,	109	26	78	18
" " Miscela's property,	77	14	34	61
" Poll Tax,	376	50	260	50
	2,972	83	1,911	22
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	82	68	44	14
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	3,055	51	1,955	36
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	303	78		
" Pedlars,	16	66		
" Ten Pins,	20	00		
NOTE.—No License returns rec'ed for 1854.				
Total revenue from License Tax,	340	44		

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	3,055	51
" " " " " " 1854,	1,955	36
Increase,	1,100	15
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	340	44
" " " "		
Aver'ge value of land per acre, in the Co. for 1855,	3	23
" " " " " " " 1854,	2	55
Increase,		68

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
143,774 acres of land	227,500			
78,067 " "		85,180		
65,707 increase,			142,320	
60 Town lots,	5,100			
24 "		3,080		
36 increase,			2,020	
74 Negroes,	42,240			
21 "		12,700		
53 increase,			29,540	
926 Horses,	52,360			
628 "		29,544		
298 increase,			22,816	
8,389 Cattle,	66,700			
5,904 "		48,520		
2,485 increase,			18,180	
14 mon'y len'rs, am't l't,	8,680			
9 " " "		720		
5 increase,			7,960	
5 st'r's, m'ze on hand,	9,520			
4 " " "		4,680		
1 increase,			4,840	
Miscellan's property,	12,840	8,020	4,820	
Property out of the Co.				
11,909 acres of land,	14,580			
4,452 " "		5,626		
7,457 increase,			8,954	
3 Town lots,	720			
" "				
3 increase,			720	
5 Negroes,	2,246			
"				
5 increase,			2,246	
Total,	442,486	198,070	244,416	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	341	25	127	77
" " Town Lots,	7	65	4	62
" " Negroes,	3	36	19	05
" " Horses,	78	54	44	31
" " Cattle,	100	05	72	78
" " Money at interest,	17	36	1	44
" " Merchandize,	14	28	7	02
" " Miscellaneous property,	19	26	12	03
Poll Tax,	211	50	130	50
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	853	25	419	52
	26	32	8	44
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	879	57	427	96

License Tax.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	49	81	24	27
" Spirits,	5	20	85	27
" Pedlars,	20	00		
Total revenue from license tax,	75	01	109	54

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	879	57
" " " " " 1854,	427	96
Increase,	451	61
Amount of license tax for 1855,	75	01
" " " 1854,	109	54
Decrease,	34	53
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	58
" " " " " " 1854,	1,	09
Increase,		49

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
314,469 Acres of Land,	479,300			
308,488 "		374,820		
5,981 increase,			104,480	
106 Town Lots,	17,280			
49 "		5,520		
57 increase,			11,760	
963 Negroes,	481,000			
783 "		385,220		
180 increase,			95,780	
5,923 Horses,	152,040			
4,338 "		109,420		
1,585 increase,			42,620	
29,418 Cattle,	173,580			
22,200 "		115,740		
7,218 increase,			57,840	
13 mon'y lend's, am't lent	11,400			
8 " " " "		11,148		
5 increase,			252	
17 stores, mdze. on hand,	40,320			
7 " " "		9,800		
10 increase,			30,520	
Miscellaneous Property,	43,766	38,433	5,333	
Property out of the Co.				
167,883 Acres of Land,	145,160			
158,942 " " "		107,133		
8,941 increase,			38,027	
38 Town Lots,	2,060			
28 " "		2,200		
10 increase,				140
Negroes,				
3 Horses,	200			
3 increase,			200	
2,100 Cattle,	10,600			
2,500 "		12,500		
400 decrease,				1,900
Miscellaneous Property,		429		429
Total,	1,556,706	1,172,363	386,812	2,46

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
	DOLLS	CTS	DOLLS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	718	95	562	23
" " Town Lots,	25	92	8	28
" " Negroes,	721	50	577	83
" " Horses,	228	06	164	13
" " Cattle,	260	37	173	61
" " Money at interest,	22	80	22	30
" " Merchandize,	80	64	14	70
" " Miscellaneous property,	65	65	57	65
Poll Tax,	175	00	137	00
Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	2,298	89	1,717	73
	237	03	183	39
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	2,535	92	1,901	12

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	111	20	19	61
" Spirits,			16	66
" Pedlars,	26	66	6	66
Total revenue from license tax,	137	86	42	93

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	2,535	92
" " " " " 1854,	1,901	12
Increase,	634	80
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	137	86
" " " " 1854,	42	93
Increase,	94	93
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	52
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	22
Increase,		30

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.
Property in the County.				
164,280 Acres of land,	365,880			
165,903 "		258,860		
1,623 decrease,			107,020	
135 Town lots,	13,060			
105 "		10,860		
30 increase,			2,200	
517 Negroes,	250,060			
415 "		209,560		
102 increase,			40,500	
1,593 Horses,	88,620			
1,040 "		54,340		
553 increase,			34,280	
13,852 Cattle,	97,920			
9,500 "		61,300		
4,352 increase,			36,620	
23 Mon'y l'nd'rs, am't lent.	10,880			
12 " "		8,500		
11 increase,			2,380	
5 Stores, Mdz. on hand,	22,900			
2 " "		5,500		
3 increase,			17,400	
Miscellaneous property,	18,486	9,540	8,946	
Property out of the Co.				
66,930 Acres of land,	82,520			
44,700 "		44,266		
22,230 increase,			38,254	
Total,	950,326	662,726	287,600	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	FOR 1855. CTS.	FOR 1854 DOLLS.	FOR 1854 CTS.
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	548	82	388	29
" " Town Lots,	19	59	16	29
" " Negroes,	375	09	314	34
" " Horses,	132	93	81	51
" " Cattle,	146	88	91	95
" " Money at interest,	21	76	17	00
" " Merchandize,	34	35	8	25
" " Miscellaneous Prop'y,	27	73	14	31
Poll Tax,	170	50	140	00
	1477	65	1071	94
Am't of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	123	78	66	40
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	1601	43	1138	34

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	29	70	37	68
" Pedlars,	16	66		
Total revenue from License Tax,	46	36	37	68

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	1,601	43
" " " " " 1854,	1,138	34
Increase,	463	09
Amount of license tax for 1855,	46	36
" " " 1854,	37	68
Increase,	8	68
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	23
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	56
Increase,		67

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the County				
acres of Land,				
26,588 " "		13,280		
Town Lots,				
" "		103,960		
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
343 "		12,000		
Cattle,				
1,773 "		20,520		
Mon'y lend'rs, am't l't,				
" " " "				
Stores, mdze. on hand,				
" " " "				
Miscellaneous property,		9,693		
Property out of the Co.				
Total,		159,453		

NOTE.—Assessment for 1855 not received.

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Am't of tax on land,			19	92
" " Town lots,			155	94
" " Negroes,				
" " Horses,			18	00
" " Cattle,			30	78
" " Money lenders,				
" " Merchandize,				
" " Miscela's property,			14	54
Poll Tax,			152	50
			391	68
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll tax,			391	68

License Tax.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	30	00	40	97
" Spirits,	181	49	41	67
" Billiards,	16	66		
Total rev'ue from License Tax,	228	15	82	64

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	
" " " " " " 1854,	391 68
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	228 15
" " " " 1854,	82 64
Increase,	145 51
Avr'ge val. of land pr. acre in the County for 1855,	
" " " " " " " 1854,	50

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
134,168 Acres of land,	332,440			
113,817 " "		217,600		
20,351 increase,			114,840	
75 Town lots,	22,360			
59 " "		14,620		
16 increase,			7,740	
851 Negroes,	399,100			
647 "		335,300		
204 increase,			63,800	
1,664 Horses,	74,660			
1,536 "		47,680		
128 increase,			26,980	
14,147 Cattle,	86,740			
10,260 "		52,580		
3,887 increase,			34,160	
3 Mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	14,725			
2 " " " "		1,340		
1 increase,			13,385	
8 stores Mdz. on hand,	19,200			
4 " " "		12,860		
4 increase,			6,340	
Miscellaneous Property,	47,700	32,656	15,044	
Property out of the Co.				
78,234 Acres of land,	94,780			
48,427 " "		46,720		
29,807 increase,			48,060	
4 Town lots,	960			
3 "		76		
1 increase,			884	
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
50 Cattle,	300			
50 "		300		
Total,	1,092,965	761,732	331,233	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS	CTS
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	498	66	326	40
" " Town Lots,	33	54	21	93
" " Negroes,	598	65	502	95
" " Horses,	111	99	71	52
" " Cattle,	130	11	78	87
" " Money at interest,	29	45	2	68
" " Merchandize,	28	80	19	29
" " Miscellaneous property,	71	55	48	98
Poll Tax,	146	00	117	00
Amount of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	1,648	75	1,189	62
	144	05	70	64
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,792	80	2,260	26
License Tax,	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	78	07	81	37
" Spirits,	15	79	100	00
" Pedlars,	6	66	20	00
Total revenue from License Tax,	100	52	201	37

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	1,792	80
" " " " " " 1854,	1,260	26
Increase,	532	54
Amount of license tax for 1855,	100	52
" " " 1854,	201	37
Decrease,	100	85
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	48
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	90
Increase,		58

ITEMS OF TAXATION	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the County.				
277,889 acres of Land,	513,5 00			
320,600 " "		499,800		
42,711 decrease,			13,700	
93 Town Lots,	24,140			
90 " "		24,960		
3 increase,				820
1,019 Negroes,	467,360			
919 "		425,000		
100 increase,			42,360	
2,085 Horses,	105,720			
1,908 "		102,760		
177 increase,			2,960	
12,688 Cattle,	80,920			
9,840 "		61,540		
2,848 increase,			19,350	
17 Mon'y lend'rs, am't l't,	15,460			
9 " " " "		7,550		
8 increase,			7,880	
13 Stores, mdze. on hand,	6,0580			
11 " " " "		38,000		
2 increase,			18,080	
Miscellaneous property,	24,113	18,125	5,988	
Property out of the Co.				
118,445 acres of Land,	103,413			
92,485 " "		67,426		
25,960 increase,			35,987	
Town Lots,				
" "				
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
"				
Total,	1,390,706	1,245,191	146,335	820

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	770	25	749	70
" " Town lots,	36	21	37	44
" " Negroes,	701	04	637	50
" " Horses,	158	58	154	14
" " Cattle,	121	38	92	31
" " Money at interest,	30	92	15	16
" " Merchandize,	112	16	76	00
" " Mis'laneous property,	36	17	27	19
Poll tax,	338	50	338	50
	2,305	21	2,127	94
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the County,	155	12	101	14
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	2,460	33	2,229	08

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	68	78	164	93
" Spirits,	100	00	133	33
" Pedlars,	10	00	6	66
" Restaurats,				
" Exhibitions,			8	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	178	78	313	25

Am't of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,460	33
" " " " " " 1854,	2,229	08
Increase,	231	25
Am't of License tax for 1855,	178	78
" " " " " 1854,	313	25
Decrease,	134	47
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	85
" " " " " " " " " " 1854,	1	56
Increase,		29

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS
Property in the County.				
365,592 Acres of land,	1,039,000			
338,856 "		876,560		
26,736 increase,			162,440	
450 Town lots,	193,920			
395 "		188,940		
55 increase,			4,980	
2,072 Negroes,	1,085,720			
1,688 "		893,640		
384 increase,			192,080	
4,397 Horses,	190,960			
4,094 "		157,380		
303 increase,			33,580	
26,952 Cattle,	161,700			
26,856 "		134,420		
96 increase,			27,280	
61 Mon'y lend'rs, am't lent	50,000			
40 " "		31,960		
21 increase,			18,040	
30 Stores, m'dz. on hand,	98,000			
27 " "		94,835		
3 increase,			3,165	
Miscellaneous property,	122,556	116,580	5,976	
Property out of the Co.				
342,043 Acres of land,	276,760			
360,561 "		238,000		
18,518 decrease,			38,760	
40 Town lots,	1,948			
41 "		2,960		
1 decrease,				1,012
Total,	3,220,564	2,735,275	486,301	1,012

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	1,558	50	1,314	84
" " Town Lots,	290	88	283	41
" " Negroes,	1,628	58	1,340	46
" " Horses,	286	44	236	07
" " Cattle,	242	55	201	63
" " Money at interest	100	00	63	92
" " Merchandize,	147	00	189	67
" " Miscel's property,	183	83	174	87
Poll Tax,	387	50	369	50
	4,825	28	4,174	37
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	418	06	36	44
Total rev'e from ad val. and poll tax,	5,243	34	4,535	81

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	266	50	448	45
" Spirits,			250	00
" Pedlars,	33	33	46	66
" Biilliards,	33	33	50	00
" Exhibitions,	25	00	16	66
" Ten Pins,			6	66
" Restaurats,	5	00		
Total revenue from License Tax,	363	16	818	43

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax, for 1855,		5,243 34
" " " 1854,		4,535 81
	Increase,	707 53
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		363 16
" " " 1854,		818 43
	Decrease,	455 27
Average val. of land per acre in the county, for 1855,		2 84
" " " " 1854,		2 70
	Increase,	14

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855. DOLLARS.	VALUATION. 1854. DOLLARS	INCREASE. DOLLARS.	DECRE'SE DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
137,112 Acres of Land,	641,800			
140,982 "		600,760		
3,870 decrease,			41,040	
880 Town Lots,	72,480			
860 "		53,060		
20 increase,			19,420	
1,746 Negroes,	828,400			
1,749 "		822,960		
3 decrease,			5,440	
2,888 Horses,	103,660			
2,770 "		96,200		
118 increase,			7,460	
30,380 Cattle,	170,820			
32,080 "		160,900		
1,700 decrease,			9,920	
14 Money Lend's, am't.l't.	13,640			
8 "		11,100		
6 increase,			2,540	
7 Stores, m'dz on hand,	47,720			
6 " "		45,200		
1 increase,			2,520	
Miscellaneous property,	13,453	14,746		1,293
Property out of the Co.				
229,986 Acres of Land,	138,720			
224,575 "		127,240		
5,411 increase,			11,480	
21 Town Lots,	4,870			
12 "		1086		
9 increase,			3,784	
10 Horses,	300.			
"				
10 increase,			300.	
Property owned by non residents,				
Miscellaneous property,		45,500		45,500
Total,	2,035,863	1,978,752	103,904	46

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	962	70	901	14
" " Town lots,	108	72	79	59
" " Negroes,	1,242	60	1,234	44
" " Horses,	155	49	144	30
" " Cattle,	256	23	241	35
" " Money lenders	27	28	22	20
" " Merchandize,	95	44	90	42
" " Mis'laneous property,	20	18	22	10
Poll Tax,	128	00	113	50
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the County,	2,996	64	2,849	04
	215	84	192	49
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property owned by non-residents,			68	25
Tot'l rev'e fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	3,212	48	3,109	78

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,				
" Spirits,	16	66	100	00
" Pedlars,	56	69	30	00
Total revenue from License Tax,	73	35	130	00

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	3,2..	48
" " " " " " 1854,	3,109	78
Increase,	102	70
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	73	35
" " " " 1854,	130	00
Decrease,	56	65
Aver'e value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	4	68
" " " " " " " " 1854,	4	26
Increase,		42

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.
Property in the Co.				
261,771 acres of land,	579,000			
226,268 " "		491,800		
35,503 increase,			87,200	
198 Town lots,	46,900			
177 " "		26,360		
21 increase,			20,540	
2,167 Negroes,	1,089,900			
1,597 "		826,740		
570 increase,			263,160	
1,648 Horses,	118,140			
1,320 "		88,700		
328 increase,			29,440	
12,609 Cattle,	96,260			
11,543 "		80,660		
1,066 increase,			15,600	
36 m'n'y l'nd's, am't l't,	34,890			
21 " " "		17,780		
15 increase,			17,110	
12 st'r's, mdze. on h'nd,	38,540			
9 " " "		20,380		
3 increase,			18,160	
Miscellan's property,	14,920	9,926	4,994	
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
134,540 acres of land,	144,500			
74,522 " "		89,970		
60,018 increase,			54,530	
10 Town lots,	2,300			
1 "		30		
9 increase,			2,270	
Negroes,				
"				
24 Horses,	840			
"				
24 increase,			840	
670 Cattle,	5,700			
190 "		1,140		
480 increase,			4,560	
Total,	2,171,890	1,653,486	518,404	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad valorem and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	868	50	737	70
" " Town Lots,	70	35	39	54
" " Negroes,	1,634	85	1,240	11
" " Horses,	177	21	133	05
" " Cattle,	144	39	120	99
" " Money at interest,	69	78	35	56
" " Merchandize,	57	81	30	57
" " Miscela's property	22	38	14	89
" Poll Tax,	247	50	197	00
	3,292	77	2,549	41
Amount of ad valorem tax on property out of the county,	230	01	136	71
Total revenue from ad val. and Poll Tax.	3,522	78	2,686	12
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	186	89	159	70
" Spirits,			104	16
" Pedlars,	20	00	8	33
" Exhibitions,			8	33
" Billiards,			25	00
Total revenue from License Tax,	206	89	305	52

Amount of Ad Valorem and Poll Tax for 1855,	3,522	78
" " " " " " 1854,	2,686	12
Increase,	836	66
Amount of Licence Tax for 1855,	206	89
" " " 1854,	305	52
Decrease,	98	63
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	21
" " " " " " " 1854,	2	18
Increase,		03

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
Acres of land, 80,526 " "		91,400		
Town lots, 5,700 "		1,936,200		
Negroes, 736 "		371,580		
Horses, 649 "		26,220		
Cattle, 12,480 "		63, 600		
Mon'y ld'rs, am't l'nt, 18 " " "		12,500		
St'res, mdze on hand, 53 " " "		300,000		
Miscellan's property,		255,166		
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
Acres of land, 2,216,659 " "		1,098,660		
Town lots, 232 "		12,480		
Negroes, 34 "		16,860		
Horses, 16 "		560		
Cattle, "				
Miscellan's property,		15		
Total,		5,293,376		

NOTE.—Assessment for 1855 not received.

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CT
Ad Val and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,			137	10
" " Town lots,			2,904	30
" " Negroes,			557	37
" " Horses,			39	33
" " Cattle,			95	40
" " Money at interest,			241	00
" " Merchandise,			450	00
" " Miscell's property,			382	75
Poll Tax,			319	50
			5,126	75
Amount of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,			1,693	06
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax			6,819	81

License Tax.	FOR 1855.	FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,		1,679	27
" Spirits,		550	00
" Pedlars,		15	00
" Billiards,		133	33
" Exhibitions,		8	33
" Ten Pins,		40	00
" Auctioneers,		75	00
" Restaurats,		5	00
" Commission Merchants,		80	00
NOTE.—License returns for 1855 not received.			
Total revenue from license tax,		2,585	93

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,
" " " " " " " 1854, 6,819 81

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,
" " " " " " " " " 1854, 1 14

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
143,529 acres of Land,	132,360			
126,508 " "		95,480		
17,021 increase,			36,880	
506 Town Lots,	40,640			
448 "		36,140		
58 increase,			4,500	
63 Negroes,	33,800			
48 "		24,760		
15 increase,			9,040	
512 Horses,	19,540			
360 "		10,620		
152 increase,			8,920	
10,190 Cattle,	64,980			
6,390 "		40,240		
3,800 increase,			24,740	
5 mon'y lend's, am't lent	3,950			
5 " " "		1,030		
			2,920	
7 stores, Mdze on hand,	12,160			
8 " "		11,460		
1 decrease,			700	
Miscellaneous Property,	23,746	14,666	9,080	
Total,	331,176	234,396	96,780	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855		FOR 1854	
	DOLLARS.	CTS	DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Amount of tax on land,	198	54	143	22
" Town Lots,	60	96	54	21
" Negroes,	50	70	37	14
" Horses,	29	31	15	93
" Cattle,	97	47	60	36
" Money at interest,	7	90	2	06
" Merchandize,	18	24	17	19
" Miscellaneous prop'ty.	35	62	22	00
Poll Tax,	233	50	194	50
	732	24	546	61
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and poll tax,	732	24	546	61

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	84	07	78	89
" Spirits,	100	00	166	66
" Pedlars,	5	00		
Total revenue from License Tax,	189	07	245	55

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	732	24
" " " " 1854,	546	61
Increase,	185	63
Amount of License tax for 1855,	189	07
" " " 1854,	245	55
Decrease,	56	48
Average value of Land per acre in the County for 1855,		92
" " " " " 1854,		76
Increase,		16

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
218,400 Acres of Land,	167,200			
237,420 " "		153,760		
19,020 decrease,			13,440	
178 Town Lots,	73,680			
238 " "		52,300		
60 decrease			21,380	
416 Negroes,	212,160			
386 "		183,880		
30 increase,			28,280	
1,962 Horses,	45,740			
1,658 "		39,160		
304 increase,			6,580	
18,733 Cattle,	110,460			
16,570 "		96,826		
2,163 increase,			13,634	
13 mon'y lend's am't lent	19,260			
2 " " " "		1,215		
11 increase,			18,045	
8 stores, Mdze on hand,	17,980			
8 " " "		7,900		
			10,080	
Miscellaneous Property,	28,086	23,566	4,520	
Property out of the Co.				
60,926 Acres of Land,	36,080			
56,035 " "		30,310		
4,891 increase,			5,770	
3 Town Lots,	2,966			
10 " "		2,350		
7 decrease,			616	
Negroes,				
2 "		1,000		
2 decrease,				1,000
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
1,080 "		5,440		
1,080 decrease,				5,440
Total,	713,612	597,707	122,345	6,440

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	250	80	230	64
" " Town Lots,	110	52	78	45
" " Negroes,	318	24	275	82
" " Horses,	68	61	58	74
" " Cattle,	165	69	145	24
" " Money at Interest,	38	52	2	43
" " Merchandize,	26	97	15	80
" " Miscellaneous Prop'ty,	42	13	35	35
Poll Tax,	133	50	126	50
	1,154	98	968	97
Amount of Ad val. Tax on Property out of the county,	58	57	58	65
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,213	55	1,027	62

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,			158	85
" Spirits,			166	66
NOTE.—No returns received for 1855.				
Total Revenue from License Tax,			325	51

Amount of ad val. and poll tax, for 1855,	1,213	55
" " " 1854,	1,027	62
Increase,	185	93
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		
" " " 1854,	325	51
Average val. of land per acre in the county for 1855,		77
" " " " 1854,		65
Increase,		12

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County,				
269,900 Acres of Land	974,500			
259,100 " "		796,400		
10,800 increase,			178,100	
538 Town Lots,	214,200			
400 "		158,820		
138 increase,			55,380	
2,136 Negroes,	1,168,450			
1,626 "		896,000		
510 increase,			272,450	
5,411 Horses,	223,460			
4,160 "		171,440		
1251 increase,			52,020	
36,986 Cattle,	227,560			
32,467 "		172,680		
4,519 increase,			54,880	
30 mon'y len'rs, am't lent	27,140			
13 " " "		9,700		
17 increase,			17,440	
22 stores, md'ze on hand	100,480			
20 " " "		70,147		
2 increase,			30,333	
Miscellaneous property,	117,066	86,000	31,066	
Property out of the Co.				
184,458 Acres of Land,	225,820			
186,123 " "		212,560		
1,665 increase,			13,260	
18 Town Lots,	2,040			
14 "		3,100		
4 increase,				1,060
8 Negroes,	6,200			
"				
8 increase,			6,200	
11 Horses,	1,340			
11 increase,			1,340	
1,245 Cattle,	7,600			
900 "		6,000		
345 increase,			1,600	
Miscellaneous property,	926		926	
Total,	3,296,782	2,582,847	744,995	1,060

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	1,461	75	1,194	60
" " Town lots,	321	30	238	23
" " Negroes,	1,752	68	1,344	00
" " Horses,	335	19	257	16
" " Cattle,	341	34	259	02
" " Money at interest,	54	28	19	40
" " Merchandize,	150	72	105	22
" " Miscellan's property,	175	60	129	00
Poll Tax,	303	50	193	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the county.	4,896	36	3,739	63
	365	89	332	48
Tot'l rev'ne fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	5,262	25	4,072	11

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	347	40	303	86
" Spirits,			150	00
" Pedlars,	40	00	6	66
" Billiards,	50	00		
" Exhibitions,	16	66	16	66
Total revenue from License tax,	454	06	477	18

Am't of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	5,262	25
" " " " " 1854,	4,072	11
Increase,	1,190	14
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	454	06
" " " " 1854,	477	18
Decrease,	23	12
Aver'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	3	61
" " " " " " " 1854,	3	08
Increase,		53

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCR'ESE	DECR'SE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
247,919 acres of land,	678,680			
243,100 " "		518,000		
4,819 increase,			160,680	
280 Town lots,	44,660			
180 " "		30,340		
100 increase,			14,320	
602 Negroes,	304,160			
500 "		260,080		
102 increase,			44,080	
2,283 Horses,	125,800			
1,752 "		100,220		
531 increase,			25,580	
13,566 Cattle,	110,200			
8,763 "		64,700		
4,833 increase,			45,500	
25 Mon'y len'ers, am't lent,	11,140			
17 " " "		6,480		
8 increase,			4,660	
27 Stores Mdze. on hand,	37,600			
19 " " "		25,600		
8 increase,			12,000	
Miscellaneous Property,	2,6560	27,113		553
Prop'ty out of the County.				
58,724 acres of land,	76,086			
42,356 " "		47,286		
16,368 increase,			28,800	
2 Town lots,	100			
"				
2 increase,			100	
Total,	1,414,986	1,079,819	335,720	553

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	1,018	02	777	00
" " Town Lots,	66	99	45	51
" " Negroes,	456	24	390	12
" " Horses,	188	70	150	33
" " Cattle,	165	30	97	05
" " Money at interest,	22	28	12	96
" " Merchandize,	56	40	38	40
" " Miscellan's property,	39	84	40	67
Poll Tax,	370	00	252	00
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on property	2,383	77	1,804	04
out of the County,	114	28	70	93
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	2,498	05	1,874	97

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	112	86	32	81
" Spirits,	233	33	183	33
" Pedlars,	16	67	18	32
Total revenue from license tax,	362	86	234	46

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,498	05
" " " " " 1854,	1,874	97
Increase,	623	08
Amount of license tax for 1855,	362	86
" " " 1854,	234	46
Increase,	128	40
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	74
" " " " " " " 1854,	2	13
Increase,		61

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
291,672 acres of Land,	849,100			
297,310 " "		816,960		
5,638 decrease,			32,140	
323 Town Lots,	71,200			
313 " "		45,480		
10 increase,			25,720	
3,124 Negroes,	1,451,780			
3,023 "		1,399,860		
101 increase,			51,920	
2,490 Horses,	134,580			
2,342 "		123,900		
148 increase,			10,680	
17,435 Cattle,	87,200			
15,941 "		72,000		
1,494 increase,			15,200	
13 mon'y lend's, am't l't,	27,800			
12 " " " "		23,680		
1 increase,			4,120	
12 Stores, Mdze on hand,	65,700			
11 " " "		44,600		
1 increase,			21,100	
Miscellaneous Property,	84,213	82,546	1,667	
Property out of the Co.				
246,837 acres of Land,	150,246			
298,824 " "		172,960		
51,987 decrease,				22,714
20 Town Lots,	360			
21 " "		235		
1 decrease,			125	
47 Negroes,	22,100			
5 "		3,200		
42 increase,			18,900	
48 Horses,	2,080			
150 "		4,000		
102 decrease,				1,920
1,480 Cattle,	7,400			
1,927 "		8,285		
447 decrease,				885
Miscellaneous Property,	200		200	
Total,	2,953,959	2,797,706	181,772	25,5[illegible]

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	1,273	65	1,225	44
" " Town lots,	106	80	68	22
" " Negroes,	2,177	67	2,099	79
" " Horses,	201	87	185	85
" " Cattle,	130	80	108	00
" " Money at interest,	55	60	47	36
" " Merchandize,	98	55	66	90
" " Miscellan's property,	126	32	123	82
Poll Tax,	204	00	190	50
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the county,	4,375	26	4,115	88
	273	58	283	02
T't'l rev'ue from Ad Val. and P'll t'x	4,648	84	4,398	90

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	269	22	224	27
" Spirits,	14	27	200	00
" Pedlars,	10	00	13	33
" Exhibitions,			8	33
" Ten Pins,	10	00	10	00
" Auctioneers,			8	34
Total revenue from License Tax,	303	49	464	27

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	4,648	84
" " " " " " 1854,	4,398	90
Increase,	249	94
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	303	49
" " " " 1854,	464	27
Decrease,	160	78
Average value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	2	90
" " " " " " " 1854,	2	75
Increase,		15

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the Co.				
221,538 acres of land,	1,001,940			
195,482 " "		796,800		
26,056 increase,			205,140	
697 Town lots,	190,520			
696 " "		165,900		
1 increase,			24,620	
1,637 Negroes,	860,600			
1,232 "		652,260		
405 increase,			208,340	
3,625 Horses,	147,800			
3,020 "		113,440		
605 increase,			34,360	
26,280 Cattle,	160,000			
24,985 "		128,460		
1,295 increase,			31,540	
37 mon'y lend's, am't l't	28,980			
24 " " "		23,380		
13 increase,			5,600	
15 st'r's, md'ze on h'nd	37,600			
14 " " "		39,200		
1 increase,				1,600
Miscellan's property,	103,240	84,540	18,700	
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
218,324 acres of land,	169,260			
201,155 " "		168,130		
17,169 increase,			1,130	
15 Town lots,	1,500			
25 " "		1,860		
10 decrease,				360
Negroes,				
"				
21 Horses.	640			
21 "		520		
			120	
Cattle,				
"				
Total,	2,702,080	2,174,490	529,550	1,960

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,	1,502	91	1,195	20
" " Town lots,	285	78	248	35
" " Negroes,	1,290	90	978	39
" " Horses,	221	20	170	16
" " Cattle,	240	00	192	69
" " Money at interest,	57	96	46	67
" " Merchandize,	75	20	78	40
" " Miscella's property	154	86	126	81
Poll tax,	271	00	252	00
	4,099	81	3,288	67
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the county,	257	10	255	77
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	4,356	91	3,544	44

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	163	00	247	00
" Spirits,	9	17	120	83
" Pedlars,	20	00	3	33
" Billiards,			54	17
" Exhibitions,	8	33		
" Ten Pins	18	33		
Total revenue from License tax,	218	83	425	33

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	4,356 91
" " " " " " 1854,	3,544 44
Increase,	812 47
Amount of license tax for 1855,	218 83
" " " " " 1854,	425 33
Decrease,	206 50
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	4 52
" " " " " " " " " 1854,	4 07
Increase,	45

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION. 1854	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.
Property in the county.				
Acres of Land, 517,360 "		473,940		
Town Lots, 3,067 "		595,020		
Negroes, 839 "		475,000		
Horses, 1,766 "		40,060		
Cattle, 35,760 "		178,440		
mon'y lend's, am't lent 17 " " " "		19,120		
stores, Mrdz. on hand 61 " " " "		382,280		
Miscellaneous Property		56,486		
Property out of the Co.				
Acres of Land, 2,030,476 " " "		623,460		
Town Lots, 164 " "		26,660		
Negroes, 117 "		46,800		
Horses, 43 "		1,000		
Cattle, 325 "		1,360		
Miscellaneous property		3,313		
Total,		2,922,939		

NOTE.—Assessment for 1855 not received.

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS	FOR 1854 DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,			710	91
" " Town Lots,			892	53
" " Negroes,			712	50
" " Horses,			60	09
" " Cattle,			267	66
" " Money at interest,			38	24
" " Merchandize,			573	42
" " Miscellaneous pr'p'y,			84	73
Poll Tax,			242	00
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,			3,582	08
			1,053	89
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax			4,635	97
Licesnse Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	2,205	92		
" Pedlars,	20	00		
" Commission Merchants,	20	00		
NOTE.—Returns for 1854 not rec'd				
Total revenue from License tax,	2,245	92		

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,
" " " " " 1854, 4,635 97

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,
" " " " " " 1854, 91

NOTE.—No License returns received for 1854.

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
412,325 acres of Land,	1,460,600			
403,767 " "		1,311,382		
8,558 increase,			149,218	
940 Town Lots,	181,720			
910 " "		102,300		
30 increase,			79,420	
7,013 Negroes,	3,633,000			
6,556 "		3,470,210		
457 increase,			162,790	
2,783 Horses,	224,160			
1,922 "		155,058		
861 increase,			69,102	
7,116 Cattle,	49,360			
5,400 "		27,846		
1,716 increase,			21,514	
57 mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	76,120			
31 " " " "		43,547		
26 increase,			32,573	
31 stores, mdze. on h'nd	97,500			
24 " " "		64,180		
7 increase,			33,320	
Miscellaneous Property,	157,586	178,430		20,844
Property out of the Co.				
120,729 acres of Land,	147,900			
119,291 " "		124,756		
1,438 increase,			23,144	
26 Town Lots,	3,600			
38 " "		2,330		
12 decrease,			1,270	
1 Negro,	300			
"				
1 increase,			300	
Horses,				
332 Catttle,	1,800			
173 "		860		
159 increase,			940	
Total,	6,033,646	5,480,899	573,591	20,844

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS
Ad val. and Poll Tax, on property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	2,190	90	1,967	07
" " Town Lots,	272	58	153	45
" " Negroes,	5,449	50	5,205	31
" " Horses,	336	24	232	59
" " Cattle,	74	04	41	77
" " Money at interest,	152	24	87	09
" " Merchandize,	146	25	96	27
" " Miscel's property,	236	38	267	64
Poll Tax,	441	50	368	50
	9,299	63	8,419	69
Am. of Ad val. Tax on property out of the County,	230	40	191	91
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	9,530	03	8,611	60

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	150	94	289	72
" Spirits,			295	10
" Pedlars,	10	00	10	00
" Billiards,			50	
" Exhibitions,	16	66	8	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	177	60	653	20

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	9,530	03
" " " 1854,	8,611	60
Increase,	918	43
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	177	60
" " " 1854,	653	20
Decrease,	475	60
Average value of Land per acre in the county for 1855,	3	54
" " " " " 1854,	3	25
Increase,		29

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
79,238 acres of Land,	228,840			
65,586 " "		156,560		
13,652 increase,			72,280	
218 Town Lots,	31,760			
184 " "		22,300		
34 increase,			9,460	
517 Negroes,	237,760			
309 "		136,660		
208 increase,			101,100	
1,029 Horses,	39,760			
743 "		28,660		
286 increase,			11,100	
4,526 Cattle,	22,680			
3,387 "		16,900		
1,139 increase,			5,780	
4 Money Lend's, am't. l't.	4,740			
3 " "		880		
1 increase,			3,860	
4 Stores, Mdze on hand,	6,900			
3 " " "		4,510		
1 increase,			2,390	
Miscellaneous Property,	35,693	22,393	13,300	
Property out of the Co.				
73,799 acres of Land,	41,033			
89,167 " "		36,851		
15,368 decrease,			4,182	
35 Town Lots,	2,000			
7 " "		669		
28 increase,			1,331	
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
60 "		300		
60 decrease,				300
Total,	651,166	426,683	224,783	300

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	343	26	234	84
" " " " Town Lots,	47	64	33	45
" " " " Negroes,	356	64	204	99
" " " " Horses,	59	64	42	99
" " " " Cattle,	34	02	25	35
" " " " Money at interest,	9	48	1	76
" " " " Merchandize,	13	80	9	02
" " " " Miscellaneous property,	53	54	33	59
Poll Tax,	74	00	76	00
Amount of Ad Val. tax on property out of the county,	992	02	661	99
	64	55	56	73
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,056	57	718	72

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	30	74	51	62
" Pedlars,			33	33
" Billiards,	16	67	10	00
" Exhibitions,	16	66	8	33
Total revenue from License tax,	64	07	103	28

Am't of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,056	57
" " " " " " 1854,	718	72
Increase,	337	85
Am't of License tax for 1855,	64	07
" " " " " 1854,	103	28
Decrease,	39	21
Average value of Land per acre in the county, for 1855,	2	89
" " " " " " " " " 1854,	2	38
Increase,		51

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE	D'CREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
121,976 acres of Land,	197,240			
113,108 " "		164,200		
8,868 increase,			33,040	
183 Town Lots,	11,980			
177 " "		10,160		
6 increase,			1,820	
411 Negroes,	196,100			
362 "		169,760		
49 increase,			26,340	
415 Horses,	30,800			
346 "		25,140		
69 increase,			5,660	
3,817 Cattle,	23,300			
3,965 "		19,220		
148 decrease,			4,080	
6 mon'y lend's, am't lent	3,405			
8 " " " "		2,200		
2 decrease,			1,205	
3 Stores, Mdz. on hand	2,720			
" " "				
3 increase,			2,720	
Miscellaneous Property,	11,900	16,593		4,693
Property out of the Co.				
20,628 acres of Land,	20,453			
19,231 " "		17,793		
1,397 increase,			2,660	
Town Lot,				
1 " "		80		
1 decrease,				80
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
"				
Total	497,898	425,146	77,525	4,773

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOL'RS	CTS.	DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on land,	295	86	246	30
" " Town lots,	17	97	15	24
" " Negroes,	294	10	254	64
" " Horses,	46	20	37	71
" " Cattle,	34	95	28	82
" " Money at interest,	6	81	4	40
" " Merchandize,	4	08		
" " Miscela's property,	17	85	24	89
" Poll Tax,	164	00	160	00
	881	82	772	00
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	30	68	26	81
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	912	50	798	81
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	32	85	16	98
" Spirits,			83	33
" Pedlars,	7	24	3	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	40	09	103	64

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,		912 50
" " " " " " 1854,		798 81
	Increase,	113 69
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		40 09
" " " " 1854,		103 64
	Decrease,	63 55
Aver'ge value of land per acre, in the Co. for 1855,		1 62
" " " " " " " 1854,		1 45
	Increase,	17

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
Acres of land, 552,893 "		190,100		
Town lots, "				
Negroes, "				
Horses, 87 "		1,440		
Cattle, 536 "		3,460		
Mon'y len's, am't lent " " " "				
Stores, Mrdz. on hand, " " "				
Miscellaneous Property,		17,226		
Property out of the Co.				
Total,		212,226		

NOTE.—Assessment for 1855 not received.

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,			285	15
" Town Lots,				
" Negroes,				
" Horses,			2	16
" Cattle,			5	19
" Money at interest,				
" Merchandize,				
" Miscellan's prop'rty			25	84
Poll Tax,			97	50
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the county,			415	84
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll Tax,			415	84

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
NOTE.—Returns for 1854–55 not rec'd.				
Total revenue from License Tax,				

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	415	84
" " " " " 1854,		
Av'r'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,		
" " " " " " " 1854,	35	

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
73,508 acres of land,	122,160			
36,474 " "		45,440		
37,034 increase,			76,720	
56 Town lots,	2 820			
6 "		160		
50 increase,			2,660	
254 Negroes,	120,500			
150 "		78,500		
104 increase,			42,000	
887 Horses,	45,640			
421 "		20,400		
466 increase,			25,240	
9,156 Cattle,	49,900			
6,227 "		38,500		
2,929 increase,			11,400	
3 mon'y len'rs, am't l't,	400			
" " "				
3 increase,			400	
5 st'r's, m'ze on hand,	10,220			
2 " " "		5,700		
3 increase,			4,520	
Miscellan's property,	8,680	2,173	6,507	
Property out of the Co.				
20,856 acres of land,	21,140			
9,406 " "		6,666		
11,396 increase,			14,474	
2 Town lots,	200			
"				
2 increase,			200	
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
Total,	381,660	197,539	184,121	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLS	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	183	24	68	16
" " Town Lots,	4	23		24
" " Negroes,	180	75	117	75
" " Horses,	68	46	30	60
" " Cattle,	74	85	57	75
" " Money at interest,		80		
" " Merchandize,	15	33	8	55
" " Miscellaneous property,	13	02	3	26
Poll Tax,	113	00	73	50
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	653	68	359	81
	32	01	10	00
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	685	69	369	81

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,				
" Spirits,			25	00
" Pedlars,	3	33	6	66
Total revenue from license tax,	3	33	31	66

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	685	69
" " " " " 1854,	369	81
Increase,	315	88
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	3	33
" " " " 1854,	31	66
Decrease,	28	33
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	68
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	25
Increase,		43

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the county.				
207,864 Acres of Land,	232,400			
198,100 "		197,060		
9,764 increase,			35,340	
59 Town lots,	13,100			
56 "		5,500		
3 increase,			7,600	
352 Negroes,	160,720			
283 "		152,360		
69 increase,			8,360	
1,870 Horses,	76,580			
1,501 "		80,000		
369 increase,				3,420
18,248 Cattle,	116,360			
17,924 "		112,360		
324 increase,			4,000	
15 Mon'y ln'rs, am't lent	6,460			
13 " "		5,740		
2 increase,			720	
12 Stores, Mdz on hand,	11,940			
10 " "		10,200		
2 increase,			1,740	
Miscellaneous property	32,173	22,673	9,500	
Property out of the Co.				
59,670 Acres of Land,	47,320			
70,868 "		45,860		
11,198 decrease,			1,460	
2 Town lots,	100			
7 "		980		
5 decrease,				880
Negroes,				
Horses,				
Cattle,				
50 "		300		
50 decrease,				300
Total,	697,153	633,033	68,720	4,600

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLS.	CTS	DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	348	60	295	59
" " Town Lots,	19	65	8	25
" " Negroes,	241	08	228	54
" " Horses,	114	87	120	00
" " Cattle,	174	54	168	54
" " Money at interest,	12	92	11	48
" " Merchandize,	17	91	15	30
" " Miscellaneous property,	48	26	34	01
Poll Tax,	325	50	310	00
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	1,303	33	1,191	71
	71	13	70	71
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,374	46	1,262	42

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	33	80	80	34
" Spirits,			166	66
" Pedlars,	6	66	3	33
" Exhibitions,			8	33
Total revenue from license tax,	40	46	258	66

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	1,374	46
" " " " " 1854,	1,262	42
Increase,	112	04
Amount of license tax for 1855,	40	46
" " " 1854,	258	66
Decrease,	218	20
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	12
" " " " " " 1854,	1	00
Increase,		12

ITEMS OF TAXATION	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	D'CREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
318,405 Acres of Land,	524,480			
310,177 "		444,400		
8,228 increase,			80,080	
230 Town Lots,	37,880			
212 "		29,500		
18 increase,			8,380	
1,595 Negroes,	856,840			
1,310 "		701,600		
285 increase,			155,240	
1'501 Horses,	98,900			
1,176 "		73,540		
325 increase,			25,360	
12,949 Cattle,	75,020			
10,470 "		52,160		
2,479 increase,			22,860	
35 mon'y lend's, am't lent	19,020			
17 " " " "		11,400		
18 increase,			7,620	
9 stores, mdze. on hand,	35,920			
9 " " "		39,520		
				3,600
Miscellaneous Property,	52,820	35,373	17,447	
Property out of the Co.				
208,878 Acres of Land,	170,004			
216,237 " " "		159,853		
7,359 decrease,			10,151	
2 Town Lots,	220			
3 " "		1,320		
1 decrease,				1,100
Negroes,				
Horses,				
Cattle,				
"				
Miscellaneous Property		360		360
Total	1,871,104	1,549,026	327,138	5,060

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS	CTS.
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	786	72	666	60
" " Town Lots,	56	82	44	25
" " Negroes,	1,285	26	1,052	40
" " Horses,	148	35	110	31
" " Cattle,	112	53	78	24
" " Money at interest,	38	04	22	80
" " Merchandize,	53	88	59	28
" " Miscellaneous Prop'y,	79	23	53	06
Poll Tax,	247	00	227	50
	2,867	83	2,314	44
Am't of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	255	40	242	30
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	3,063	23	2,556	74

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	172	30	220	06
" Pedlars,	23	33	16	66
" Spirits,			100	00
" Exhibitions,	16	66	8	34
" Restaurats,	17	50	22	50
Total revenue from License Tax,	229	79	367	56

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	3,063	23
" " " " " 1854,	2,556	74
Increase,	506	49
Amount of license tax for 1855,	229	79
" " " 1854,	367	56
Decrease,	137	77
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	65
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	43
Increase,		22

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the County.				
170,772 acres of Land,	264,300			
98,382 " "		147,400		
72,390 increase,			116,900	
72 Town Lots,	16,760			
23 " "		14,720		
49 increase,			2,040	
198 Negroes,	104,960			
135 "		71,620		
63 increase,			33,340	
1,838 Horses,	83,240			
1,079 "		56,560		
759 increase,			26,680	
17,871 Cattle,	132,600			
12,480 "		91,880		
5,391 increase,			40,720	
19 Mon'y lend'rs, am't l't,	4,590			
11 " " " "		2,170		
8 increase,			2,420	
8 Stores, mdze. on hand,	14,560			
5 " " " "		9,360		
3 increase,			5,200	
Miscellaneous property,	52,214	26,193	26,021	
Property out of the Co.				
31,666 acres of Land,	32,540			
16,578 " "		16,480		
15,088 increase,			16,060	
3 Town Lots,	253			
2 " "		1,260		
1 increase,				1,007
Negroes, "				
Horses, "				
Cattle, "				
Total,	706,017	437,643	269,381	1,007

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	396	45	221	10
" " Town Lots,	25	14	22	08
" " Negroes,	157	44	107	43
" " Horses,	124	86	84	84
" " Cattle,	198	90	137	82
" " Money at interest	9	18	4	34
" " Merchandize,	21	84	14	04
" " Miscel's property,	78	33	39	29
Poll Tax,	244	50	195	00.
	1,256	64	825	94
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	49	19	26	61
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,305	83	852	55

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,			60	04
" Spirits,			100	00
" Billiards,			16	66
NOTE—Returns for 1855, not received,				
Total revenue from License Tax,			176	70

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax, for 1855,	1,305	83
" " " 1854,	852	55
Increase,	453	28
Amount of Licenso Tax for 1855,		
" " " 1854,	176	70
Average val. of land per acre in the county, for 1855,	1	55
" " " " 1854,	1	50
Increase,		05

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECRE'SE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
227,496 Acres of Land,	414,860			
230,887 "		406,340		
3,391 decrease,			8,520	
230 Town Lots,	37,800			
211 "		32,560		
19 increase,			5,240	
717 Negroes,	337,300			
605 "		288,900		
112 increase,			48,400	
1,431 Horses,	45,500			
1,403 "		44,200		
28 increase,			1,300	
39,597 Cattle,	211,500			
35,654 "		186,300		
3,943 increase,			25,200	
5 Money Lend's, am't.l't.	15,600			
8 " "		5,150		
3 decrease,			10,450	
6 Stores, m'dz on hand,	21,800			
5 " "		20,560		
1 increase,			1,240	
Miscellaneous property,	15,853	16,333		480
Property out of the Co.				
182,291 Acres of Land,	144,193			
187,500 "		160,760		
5,209 increase,				16,567
5 Town Lots,	1,400			
6 "		1,020		
1 decrease,			380	
Negroes,				
1 "		400		
1 decrease,				400
840 Cattle,	4,200			
40 "		200		
800 increase,			4,000	
Property owned by non residents,		33,320		33,320
Total,	1,250,006	1,196,043	104,730	50,767

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOL'RS.	CTS	DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	622	29	609	51
" " Town lots,	56	70	48	84
" " Negroes,	505	95	433	35
" " Horses,	68	25	66	30
" " Cattle,	317	25	279	45
" " Money at interest,	31	20	10	30
" " Merchandize,	32	70	30	84
" " Mis'laneous property,	23	78	24	50
Poll tax,	79	00	70	00
	1,737	12	1,573	09
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the County,	224	69	243	57
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on Property owned by non-residents,			49	98
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	1,961	81	1,866	64

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	82	56	73	33
" Spirits,	3	57	69	15
" Pedlars,	17	24	7	66
" Billiards,	19	63		
" Exhibitions,	25	00		
Total revenue from License Tax.	148	00	150	14

Am't of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	1,961	81
" " " " " " 1854,	1,866	64
Increase,	95	17
Am't of License tax for 1855,	148	00
" " " " " 1854,	150	14
Decrease,	2	14
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	82
" " " " " " " " " " 1854,	1	76
Increase,		06

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1856	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS	DOL'RS
Property in the county.				
189,979 Acres of land,	219,680			
177,022 "		199,000		
12,957 increase,			20,680	
663 Town lots,	28,080			
677 "		24,840		
14 decrease,			3,240	
991 Negroes,	454,340			
904 "		396,520		
87 increase,			57,820	
613 Horses,	39,480			
523 "		33,220		
90 increase,			6,260	
6,127 Cattle,	30,920			
5,641 "		26,400		
486 increase,			4,520	
15 Mon'y l'nd'rs, am't lent	5,960			
18 " "		6,840		
3 decrease,				880
8 Stores, Mdz. on hand,	13,340			
7 " "		8,180		
1 increase,			5,160	
Miscellaneous property,	20,114	18,646	1,468	
Property out of the Co.				
243,354 Acres of land,	97,840			
291,724 "		88,460		
48,370 decrease,			9,380	
1 Town lots,	20			
5 "		320		
4 decrease,				300
Total,	909,774	802,426	108,528	1,180

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad valorem and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	329	52	298	50
" " Town Lots,	42	12	37	26
" " Negroes,	681	51	594	78
" " Horses,	59	22	49	83
" " Cattle,	46	38	39	60
" " Money at interest,	11	92	13	68
" " Merchandize,	20	01	12	27
" " Miscela's property	30	17	27	97
" Poll Tax,	105	00	116	00
Amount of ad valorem tax on property out of the county,	1,325	85	1,189	89
	146	79	133	17
Total revenue from ad val. and Poll Tax.	1,472	64	1,323	06

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	170	79	31	09
" Spirits,			100	00
" Billiards,			16	66
" Exhibitions,	8	33		
Total revenue from License Tax,	179	12	147	75

Amount of Ad Valorem and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,472	64
" " " " " " 1854,	1,323	06
Increase,	149	58
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	179	12
" " " 1854,	147	75
Increase,	31	37
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	16
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	12
Increase,		04

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
111,640 Acres of land,	70,300			
105,197 " "		71,100		
6,443 increase,				800
768 Town lots,	28,340			
807 " "		29,000		
39 decrease,				660
216 Negroes,	102,000			
209 "		97,260		
7 increase,			4,740	
2,745 Horses,	41,800			
2,586 "		39,360		
159 increase,			2,440	
39,617 Cattle,	247,920			
42,473 "		234,900		
2,856 decrease,			13,020	
4 Mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	850			
3 " " " "		840		
1 increase,			10	
9 stores Mdz. on hand,	10,340			
7 " " "		14,320		
2 increase,				3,980
Miscellaneous Property,	11,480	8,873	2,607	
Property out of the Co.				
94,088 Acres of land,	52,940			
95,594 " "		48,060		
1,506 decrease,			4,880	
20 Town lots,	700			
29 "		1,133		433
9 decrease,				
40 Horses,	600			
"				
40 increase,			600	
40 Cattle,	50			
"			50	
40 increase,				
Total,	567,320	544,846	28,347	5,873

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOL'RS.	CTS	DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	105	45	106	65
" " Town lots,	42	51	43	50
" " Negroes,	153	00	145	89
" " Horses,	62	70	59	04
" " Cattle,	371	88	352	35
" " Money lenders	1	70	1	68
" " Merchandize,	15	51	21	48
" " Mis'laneous property,	17	22	13	31
Poll Tax,	72	50	70	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the County,	842	47	813	90
	81	43	73	79
Tot'l rev'e fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	923	90	887	69

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	60	88	46	41
" Spirits,			168	74
" Pedlars,	10	00	13	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	70	88	228	48

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	923	90
" " " " " " 1854,	887	69
Increase,	36	21
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	70	88
" " " " 1854,	228	48
Decrease,	157	60
Aver'e value of land per acre in the county for 1855,		63
" " " " " " " " 1854,		69
Decrease,		06

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCR'ESE	DECR'SE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
40,607 acres of land,	68,440			
9,894 " "		11,000		
30,713 increase,			57,440	
23 Town lots,	100			
" "				
23 increase,			100	
120 Negroes,	64,260			
5 "		2,900		
115 increase,			61,360	
591 Horses,	32,160			
110 "		5,720		
481 increase,			26,440	
5,047 Cattle,	43,720			
1,100 "		9,700		
3,947 increase,			34,020	
3 Mon'y len'ers, am't lent,	715			
" " "				
3 increase,			715	
3 Stores Mdze. on hand,	2,860			
" " "				
3 increase,			2,860	
Miscellaneous Property,	6,546	1,515	5,031	
Prop'ty out of the County.				
8,060 acres of land,	9,813			
2,214 " "		4,373		
5,846 increase,			5,440	
3 Town lots,	80			
"				
3 increase,			80	
Total,	228,694	35,208	193,486	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Am't of tax on land,	102	66	16	50
" " Town lots,		15		
" " Negroes,	96	39	4	35
" " Horses,	48	24	8	58
" " Cattle,	65	58	14	55
" " Money at interest,	1	43		
" " Merchandize,	4	29		
" " Miscela's property,	9	82	2	27
Poll Tax,	103	00	22	50
	431	56	68	75
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the county,	14	84	6	56
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll tax,	446	40	75	31

License Tax.	FOR 1855.	FOR 1854.
NOTE.—Nothing received.		
Total rev'ue from License Tax,		

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	446	40
" " " " " " 1854,	75	31
Increase,	371	09

Avr'ge val. of land pr. acre in the County for 1855,	1	68
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	11
Increase,		57

NOTE.—Not organized in 1854. Assessment not received for 1855.

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License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	33	73		
" Spirits,	66	66		
" Pedlars,	3	33		
NOTE.—Nothing rec'ed in 1854.				
Total revenue from License Tax.	103	72		

Amount License Tax for 1855, 103 72

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
142,752 acres of Land,	231,640			
132,657 " "		193,000		
10,095 increase,			38,640	
62 Town Lots,	9,060			
24 "		2,140		
38 increase,			6,920	
329 Negroes,	167,260			
253 "		131,700		
76 increase,			35,560	
1,122 Horses,	63,460			
865 "		53,660		
257 increase,			9,800	
11,308 Cattle,	78,700			
9,953 "		58,640		
1,355 increase,			20,060	
11 mon'y len's, am't lent	5,015			
4 " " "		2,150		
7 increase,			2,865	
5 stores, Mdze on hand,	6,400			
1 " "		30		
4 increase,			6,370	
Miscellaneous Property,	29,946	25,380	4,566	
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
23,246 Acres of land,	14,896			
27,498 " "		18,620		
4,252 decrease,				3,724
2 Town lots,	46			
"				
2 increase,			46	
Total,	606,423	485,320	124,827	3,724

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS	CTS
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	347	46	289	50
" " Town Lots,	13	59	3	21
" " Negroes,	250	89	197	55
" " Horses,	95	19	80	49
" " Cattle,	118	05	87	96
" " Money at interest,	10	03	4	30
" " Merchandize,	9	60		04
" " Miscellaneous property,	44	92	38	07
Poll Tax,	159	00	139	00
Amount of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	1,048	73	840	12
	22	41	27	93
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,071	14	868	05

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	45	72	34	11
" Spirits,			58	33
" Pedlars,	6	60	6	66
" Exhibitions,			8	33
" Restaurats,	31	50	15	00
Total revenue from License Tax,	83	82	122	43

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	1,071	14
" " " " " " 1854,	868	05
Increase,	203	09
Amount of license tax for 1855,	83	82
" " " 1854,	122	43
Decrease,	38	61
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	63
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	46
Increase,		17

ITEMS OF TAXATION	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.

NOTE.—County not organized.

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLS.	CTS	DOLLS.	CTS

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
349,511 acres of Land,	530,340			
382,960 " "		533,920		
33,449 decrease,				3,580
160 Town Lots,	29,960			
80 " "		20,660		
80 increase,			9,300	
1,296 Negroes,	572,600			
1,292 "		591,060		
4 increase,				18,460
2,487 Horses,	130,760			
1,898 "		104,400		
589 increase,			26,360	
12,592 Cattle,	92,720			
12,353 "		75,940		
239 increase,			16,780	
26 mon'y lend's, am't l't,	9,895			
19 " " " "		6,100		
7 increase,			3,795	
12 Stores, Mdze on hand,	32,880			
12 " " "		21,880		
			11,000	
Miscellaneous Property,	23,966	29,026		5,06
Property out of the Co.				
114,809 acres of Land,	1,0 1,846			
86,364 " "		71,560		
28,445 increase,			30,286	
17 Town Lots,	2,400			
17 " "		2,400		
Total,	1,527,367	1,456,946	97,521	27,10

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,	795	51	800	88
" " Town lots,	44	94	30	99
" " Negroes,	858	90	886	59
" " Horses,	196	14	156	60
" " Cattle,	139	08	113	91
" " Money at interest,	19	79	12	20
" " Merchandise,	49	32	32	82
" " Miscell's property,	35	95	43	54
Poll Tax,	336	00	267	50
	2,475	63	2,345	03
Amount of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	156	37	110	94
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	2,632	00	2,455	97

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	4	04	35	94
" Spirits,			100	00
" Exhibitions,			25	00
" Ten Pins,			6	66
Total revenue from license tax,	4	04	167	60

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,632 00
" " " " " " " 1854,	2,455 97
Increase,	176 03
Amount of license tax for 1855,	4 04
" " " " 1854,	167 60
Decrease,	163 56
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1 53
" " " " " " " " " 1854,	1 40
Increase,	13

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the County.				
172,472 Acres of land,	357,140			
180,320 "		310,180		
7,848 decrease,			46,960	
80 Town lots,	27,440			
76 "		20,340		
4 increase,			7,100	
1,004 Negroes,	492,540			
808 "		422,580		
196 increase,			69,960	
2,107 Horses,	73,540			
1,781 "		58,400		
326 increase,			15,140	
16,228 Cattle,	97,240			
15,168 "		86,300		
1,060 increase,			10,940	
26 Mon'y lend'rs, am't lent	16,760			
12 " "		15,800		
14 increase,			960	
9 Stores, m'dz. on hand,	17,460			
9 " "		20,500		
				3,040
Miscellaneous property,	25,580	22,213	3,367	
Property out of the Co.				
70,949 Acres of land,	61,500			
87,678 "		59,886		
16,729 decrease,			1,614	
2 Town lots,	96			
29 "		1,940		
27 decrease,				1,844
Total,	1,169,296	1,018,139	156,041	4,884

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	535	71	465	27
" " Town lots,	41	16	30	51
" " Negroes,	738	81	633	87
" " Horses,	110	31	87	60
" " Cattle,	145	86	129	45
" " Money at interest,	33	52	31	60
" " Merchandize,	34	92	41	14
" " Miscellan's property,	38	37	33	32
Poll Tax,	202	50	196	00
	1,881	16	1,648	76
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the county,	92	39	92	74
T't'l rev'ue from Ad Val. and P'll t'x	1,973	55	1,741	50

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	87	84	101	73
" Spirits,			50	00
" Pedlars,			6	66
" Billiards,	16	50		
" Exhibitions,	6	25		
" Restaurats,	3	75		
Total revenue from License Tax,	114	34	158	39

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,973	55
" " " " " " 1854,	1,741	50
Increase,	232	05
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	114	34
" " " " 1854,	158	39
Decrease,	44	05
Average value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	2	07
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	72
Increase,		35

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the Co.				
240,887 acres of land,	437,400			
228,766 " "		348,000		
12,121 increase,			89,400	
173 Town lots,	29,920			
197 " "		32,200		
24 decrease,				2,280
1,455 Negroes,	757,296			
1,238 "		656,000		
217 increase,			101,296	
1,901 Horses,	124,500			
1,650 "		100,300		
251 increase,			24,200	
14,533 Cattle,	115,160			
13,232 "		89,400		
1,301 increase,			25,760	
29 m'n'y l'nd's, am't l't,	13,880			
32 " " "		13,280		
3 decrease,			600	
17 st'r's, mdze. on h'nd,	44,240			
14 " " "		26,800		
3 increase,			17,440	
Miscellan's property,	3,860	66,406		62,546
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
140,376 acres of land,	128,086			
93,872 " "		71,476		
46,504 increase,			56,610	
12 Town lots,	3,500			
9 "		70		
3 increase,			3,430	
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
1,040 "		6,240		
1,040 decrease,				6,240
Total,	1,657,842	1,410,172	318,736	71,066

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	656	10	522	00
" " Town lots,	44	88	48	30
" " Negroes,	1,135	94	984	00
" " Horses,	186	75	150	45
" " Cattle,	172	74	134	10
" " Money at interest,	27	76	26	56
" " Merchandize,	88	48	53	60
" " Miscellan's property,	5	79	99	61
Poll Tax,	273	00	234	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property	2,591	44	2,252	62
out of the county.	197	38	116	68
Tot'l rev'ue fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	2,788	82	2,369	30

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,			132	86
" Spirits,			283	33
" Pedlars,	6	66	6	67
" Ten Pins,	20	00	20	00
Total revenue from License tax,	26	66	442	86

Am't of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	2,788	82
" " " " " 1854,	2,369	30
Increase,	419	52
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	26	66
" " " " 1854,	442	86
Decrease,	416	20
Aver'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	1	81
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	52
Increase,		29

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the Co.				
279,540 acres of land,	307,800			
339,478 " "		305,400		
59,938 decrease,			2,400	
170 Town lots,	31,080			
155 " "		33,200		
15 increase,				2,120
922 Negroes,	446,560			
861 "		424,260		
61 increase,			22,300	
3,202 Horses,	75,020			
2,843 "		67,800		
359 increase,			7,220	
55,000 Cattle,	275,500			
49,128 "		231,040		
5,872 increase,			44,460	
8 mon'y lend's, am't l't	15,570			
14 " " "		10,580		
6 decrease,			4,990	
10 st'r's, md'ze on h'nd	18,200			
13 " " "		33,560		
3 decrease,				15,360
Miscellan's property,	12,460	17,446		4,986
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
338,633 acres of land,	114,800			
435,000 " "		147,700		
96,367 decrease,				32,900
32 Town lots,	700			
4 " "		100		
28 increase,			600	
Negroes,				
"				
1 Horses,	25			
2 "		300		
1 decrease,				275
3,031 Cattle,	15,840			
2,045 "		11,400		
986 increase,			4,440	
Total,	1,313,555	1,282,786	86,410	55,641

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	461	70	458	10
" Town Lots,	46	62	49	80
" Negroes,	669	84	636	39
" Horses,	112	53	101	70
" Cattle,	413	25	346	56
" Money at interest,	31	14	21	16
" Merchandize,	36	40	50	34
" Miscellaneous prop'ty,	18	69	26	17
Poll Tax,	137	00	127	00
	1,927	17	1,817	22
Am't of Ad val tax on property out of the county.	197	05	239	25
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and poll tax,	2,124	22	2,056	47

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	81	00	105	58
" Spirits,			98	41
" Pedlars,	6	66	32	98
" Billiards,	50	00	50	00
" Ten Pins,	20	00		
Total revenue from License Tax,	157	66	286	97

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	2,124	22
" " " " 1854,	2,056	47
Increase,	67	75
Amount of License tax for 1855,	157	66
" " " 1854,	286	97
Decrease,	129	31
Average value of Land per acre in the County for 1855,	1	10
" " " " " 1854,		90
Increase,		20

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
100,426 Acres of Land,	232,280			
110,905 " "		153,758		
10,479 decrease,			78,522	
46 Town Lots,	15,200			
61 " "		14,280		
15 decrease			920	
680 Negroes,	385,000			
591 "		354,500		
89 increase,			30,500	
1,799 Horses,	90,420			
1,141 "		62,850		
658 increase,			27,570	
21,362 Cattle,	142,560			
14,479 "		85,908		
6,883 increase,			56,652	
6 mon'y lend's am't lent	2,600			
14 " " " "		4,240		
8 decrease,				1,640
7 stores, Mdze on hand,	28,060			
6 " " "		23,480		
1 increase,			4,580	
Miscellaneous Property,	35,046	28,960	6,086	
Property out of the Co.				
163,281 Acres of Land,	201,140			
158,627 " "		173,279		
4,654 increase,			27,861	
12 Town Lots,	1,780			
3 " "		320		
9 increase,			1,460	
Total,	1,134,086	901,575	234,151	1,640

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	FOR 1855. CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	FOR 1854. CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	348	42	230	64
" " Town Lots,	22	80	21	42
" " Negroes,	577	50	531	75
" " Horses,	135	63	94	27
" " Cattle,	213	84	128	87
" " Money at interest,	5	20	8	48
" " Merchandize,	42	09	35	22
" " Miscellan's property,	52	57	43	44
Poll Tax,	203	50	163	50
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on property	1,601	55	1,257	59
out of the County,	304	38	260	39
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,905	93	1,517	98

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	88	17	95	91
" Spirits,			33	33
" Pedlars,	53	33	10	00
Total revenue from license tax,	141	50	139	24

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	1,905	93
" " " " " 1854,	1,517	98
Increase,	387	95
Amount of license tax for 1855,	141	50
" " " 1854,	139	24
Increase,	2	26
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	31
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	39
Increase,		92

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	D'CREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
166,621 Acres of Land,	409,080			
182,328 "		357,440		
15,707 decrease,			51,640	
175 Town Lots,	46,600			
135 "		25,280		
40 increase,			21,320	
1,048 Negroes,	539,320			
689 "		367,300		
359 increase,			172,020	
1,883 Horses,	93,160			
1,497 "		71,300		
386 increase,			21,860	
14,203 Cattle,	97,200			
11,751 "		62,600		
2,456 increase,			34,600	
15 mon'y lend's, am't lent	10,640			
8 " " " "		5,680		
7 increase,			4,960	
1 store, mdze. on hand,	500			
1 " " "		11,920		
				11,420
Miscellaneous Property,	49,953	37,866	12,087	
Property out of the Co.				
74,826 Acres of Land,	187,260			
111,594 " " "		95,680		
63,232 increase,			91,580	
11 Town Lots,	1,740			
4 " "		180		
7 increase,			1,560	
Negroes,				
4 Horses,	120			
"				
4 increase,			120	
800 Cattle,	4,886			
"				
800 increase,			4,886	
Miscellaneous Property		200		200
Total	1,440,459	1,035,446	416,633	11,620

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855 DOL'RS	CTS	FOR 1854 DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	613	62	536	16
" " Town Lots,	69	90	37	92
" " Negroes,	808	98	550	95
" " Horses,	139	74	106	95
" " Cattle,	145	80	93	90
" " Money at interest,	21	28	11	36
" " Merchandize,		75	17	88
" " Miscellaneous pr'p'y,	74	93	56	80
Poll Tax,	177	00	144	50
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	2,052	00	1,556	42
	291	01	144	09
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax	2,343	01	1,700	51

Licesnse Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,			16	18
NOTE.—Nothing collected for 1855.				
Total revneue from License tax,			16	18

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,343	01
" " " " " 1854,	1,700	51
Increase,	642	50
Amount of license tax for 1855,		
" " " 1854,	16	18
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	45
" " " " " " 1854,	1	96
Increase,		49

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
92,386 acres of Land,	157,900			
96,783 " "		144,240		
4,397 decrease,			13,660	
51 Town Lots,	14,640			
63 " "		6,680		
12 decrease,			7,960	
429 Negroes,	229,800			
374 "		197,380		
55 increase,			32,420	
1,189 Horses,	60,360			
1,143 "		57,000		
46 increase,			3,360	
9,876 Cattle,	70,080			
10,158 "		51,140		
282 decrease,			18,940	
13 mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	11,880			
11 " " " "		6,950		
2 increase,			4,930	
9 stores, mdze. on h'nd	8,140			
9 " " "		8,875		
				735
Miscellaneous Property,	24,726	16,066	8,660	
Property out of the Co.				
37,101 acres of Land,	46,880			
49,837 " "		56,582		
12,736 decrease,				9,702
Town Lots,				
3 " "		250		
3 decrease,				250
Negroes,				
"				
1 Horses,	50			
3 "		110		
2 decrease,				60
590 Cattle,	4,140			
483 "		2,420		
117 increase,			1,720	
Total,	628,596	547,693	91,650	10,747

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,	236	85	216	36
" " Town lots,	21	96	10	02
" " Negroes,	344	70	296	07
" " Horses,	90	54	85	50
" " Cattle,	105	12	76	71
" " Money at interest,	23	76	13	90
" " Merchandize,	16	28	17	75
" " Miscella's property	37	09	24	10
Poll tax,	103	00	97	50
	979	30	837	91
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the county,	76	60	89	04
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	1,055	90	926	95

License Tax.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	45	10	38	93
" Spirits,	16	66	68	24
" Pedlars,	21	96	33	33
" Exhibitions,	8	33		
Total revenue from License tax,	92	05	140	50

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,		1,055 90
" " " " " " 1854,		926 95
	Increase,	128 95
Amount of license tax for 1855,		92 05
" " " " " 1854,		140 50
	Decrease,	48 45
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,		1 70
" " " " " " " " " 1854,		1 49
	Increase,	21

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION, 1855.	VALUATION, 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
365,321 Acres of Land	676,960			
375,328 "		668,080		
10,007 decrease,			8,880	
Town Lots,	94,280			
"		145,180		
				50,900
1,529 Negroes,	682,000			
1,555 "		749,220		
26 decrease,				67,220
1,487 Horses,	43,800			
1,685 "		53,300		
198 decrease,				9,500
29,134 Cattle,	129,840			
36,870 "		162,480		
7,736 decrease,				32,640
4 mon'y lend's, am't lent	6,500			
4 " " " "		7,060		
				560
9 Stores, mdz. on hand,	42,380			
10 " " " "		77,780		
1 decrease,				35,400
Miscellaneous Property	18,540	45,380		26,840
Property out of the County.				
450,354 Acres of Land,	267,913			
515,265 " " "		380,400		
64,911 decrease,				112,487
Town Lots,	6,380			
250 " "		16,100		
				9,720
16 Negroes,	8,000			
134 "		65,600		
118 decrease,				57,600
13 Horses,	760			
39 "		2,200		
26 decrease,				1,440
1,200 Cattle,	4,800			
1,328 "		5,860		
128 decrease,				1,060
Miscellaneous Property,		1,366		1,366
Mis. pr'ty owned by non-residents,	38,300	39,625		1,325
Total,	2,020,453	2,419,631	8,880	408,058

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	1,015	44	1,002	12
" " Town Lots,	141	72	217	77
" " Negroes,	1,023	00	1,123	83
" " Horses,	65	20	79	95
" " Cattle,	194	76	243	72
" " Money at interest,	13	00	14	12
" " Merchandize,	63	57	116	67
" " Miscellaneous property,	27	81	68	07
Poll Tax,	87	50	99	50
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	2,632	00	2,965	75
Am't of ad val. tax on property owned by non-residents,	431	78	707	29
	57	45	59	42
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	3,121	23	3,732	46

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	117	64	256	29
" Spirits,			125	00
" Billiards,	50	00	79	17
" Exhibitions,			8	33
" Auctioneers,	12	50	25	00
" Restaurats,			5	00
Total revenue from license tax,	180	14	498	79

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	3,121	23
" " " " " 1854,	3,732	46
Decrease,	611	23
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	180	14
" " " " 1854,	498	79
Decrease,	318	65
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	91
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	78
Increase,		13

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.
Property in the county.				
82,620 Acres of Land,	85,780			
65,437 "		74,400		
17,183 increase,			11,380	
280 Town lots,	56,100			
340 "		45,440		
60 decrease,			10,660	
25 Negroes,	6,500			
31 "		8,500		
6 decrease,				2,000
294 Horses,	7,080			
288 "		7,540		
6 increase,				460
5,728 Cattle,	58,820			
4,532 "		44,640		
1,196 increase,			14,180	
Mon'y ln'rs, am't lent				
" "				
16 Stores, Mdz on hand,	9,300			
11 " "		7,500		
5 increase,			1,800	
Miscellaneous property	12,413	12,300	113	
Property out of the Co.				
59,822 Acres of Land,	30,020			
30,559 "		21,280		
29,263 increase,			8,740	
3 Town lots,	80			
4 "		180		
1 increase,				100
Negroes,				
6 Horses,	200			
7 "		200		
1 decrease,				
50 Cattle,				
50 "	500			
		460	40	
Miscellaneous property	889	753	136	
Total,	267,682	223,193	47,049	2,560

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on land,	128	67	111	60
" " Town lots,	84	15	68	16
" " Negroes,	9	75	12	75
" " Horses,	10	62	11	31
" " Cattle,	88	23	66	96
" " Money at interest,				
" " Merchandize,	13	95	11	25
" " Miscela's property,	18	62	18	45
" Poll Tax,	38	50	38	00
	392	49	338	48
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	47	54	34	31
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	440	03	372	79
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	63	73	47	23
" Spirits,	100	00	133	33
" Billiards,	16	66		
Total revenue from License Tax,	180	39	180	56

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	440	03
" " " " " " 1854,	372	79
Increase,	67	24
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	180	39
" " " " 1854,	180	56
Decrease,		17
Aver'ge value of land per acre, in the Co. for 1855,	1	04
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	14
Decrease,		10

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
149,903 acres of land,	257,700			
140,881 " "		216,600		
9,022 increase,			41,100	
144 Town lots,	20,780			
172 "		22,900		
28 decrease,				2,120
713 Negroes,	409,380			
643 "		385,960		
70 increase,			23,420	
2,565 Horses,	111,880			
2,168 "		96,340		
397 increase,			15,540	
18,185 Cattle,	107,920			
15,578 "		88,560		
2,607 increase,			19,360	
3 mon'y len'rs, am't l't,	2,000			
1 " " "		1,000		
2 increase,			1,000	
10 st'r's, m'ze on hand,	17,760			
10 " " "		16,140		
			1,620	
Miscellan's property,	35,846	25,706	10,140	
Property out of the Co.				
135,864 acres of land,	145,373			
165,885 " "		160,600		
30,021 decrease,				15,227
7 Town lots,	500			
7 "		1,740		
				1,240
36 Negroes,	28,400			
"				
36 increase,			28,400	
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
"				
Total,	1,137,539	1,015,546	140,580	18,587

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLS	CTS.	DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	386	55	324	90
" " Town Lots,	31	17	34	35
" " Negroes,	614	07	578	94
" " Horses,	167	82	144	51
" " Cattle,	161	88	132	84
" " Money at Interest,	4	00	2	00
" " Merchandize,	26	64	24	21
" " Miscellaneous Prop'ty,	53	77	38	86
Poll Tax,	137	00	134	00
	1,582	90	1,414	61
Amount of Ad val. Tax on Property out of the county,	261	41	243	51
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,844	31	1,658	12

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	100	93	89	98
" Spirits,	58	33	200	00
" Pedlars,	6	67	16	66
Total revenue from License Tax,	165	93	306	64

Amount of ad val. and poll tax, for 1855,	1,844	31
" " " 1854,	1,658	12
Increase,	186	19
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	165	93
" " " 1854,	306	64
Decrease,	140	71
Average val. of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	72
" " " " 1854,	1	54
Increase,		18

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County				
183,269 Acres of Land,	422,440			
205,184 " "		390,580		
21,915 decrease,			31,860	
91 Town Lots,	42,780			
80 "		32,000		
11 increase,			10,780	
1,448 Negroes,	756,840			
1,184 "		614,600		
264 increase,			142,240	
1,026 Horses,	70,400			
860 "		57,960		
166 increase,			12,440	
5,780 Cattle,	33,460			
4,648 "		21,540		
1,132 increase,			11,920	
8 mon'y len'rs, am't lent	10,605			
14 " " "		8,200		
6 decrease,			2,405	
10 stores, md'ze on hand	22,220			
5 " " "		21,400		
5 increase,			820	
Miscellaneous property,	52,266	42,466	9,800	
Property out of the Co.				
204,849 Acres of Land,	137,170			
184,473 " "		134,366		
20,376 increase,			2,804	
45 Town Lots,	400			
6 "		1,060		
39 increase,				660
Negroes,				
7 "		6,000		
7 decrease,				6,000
11 Horses,	330			
11 increase,			330	
545 Cattle,	2,960			
520 "		2,560		
25 increase,			400	
Total,	1,551,871	1,332,732	225,799	6,660

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	FOR 1855. CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS.	FOR 1854. CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	633	66	585	87
" " Town Lots,	64	17	48	00
" " Negroes,	1,135	26	921	90
" " Horses,	105	60	86	94
" " Cattle,	50	19	32	31
" " Money at interest,	21	21	16	40
" " Merchandize,	44	44	32	10
" " Miscellaneous property,	78	40	63	70
Poll Tax,	105	50	118	50
	2,238	43	1,905	72
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	211	28	215	98
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	2,449	71	2,121	70

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	119	04	129	00
" Spirits,			200	00
" Pedlars,	3	33	3	33
" Ten Pins,	20	00		
Total revenue from license tax,	142	37	332	33

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,449	71
" " " " " 1854,	2,121	70
Increase,	328	01
Amount of license tax for 1855,	142	37
" " " 1854,	332	33
Decrease,	189	96
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	30
" " " " " " 1854,	1	90
Increase,		40

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
458,255 acres of Land,	526,300			
440,532 " "		465,660		
17,223 increase,			60,640	
329 Town Lots,	74,960			
224 " [105 increase,		75,260		300
1,702 Negroes,	891,100			
1,573 " [129 increase,		819,100	72,000	
2,360 Horses,	156,740			
2,189 "		136,460		
171 increase,			20,280	
14,227 Cattle,	107,220			
13,211 "		86,820		
1,016 decrease,			20,400	
60 mon'y lend's, am't l'nt	37,420			
47 " " " "		24,820		
13 increase,			12,600	
17 Stores, Mdz. on hand	51,160			
21 " " "		53,020		
4 decrease,				1,860
Miscellaneous Property,	43,806	41,000	2,806	
Property out of the Co.				
1,451,931 acres of Land,	861,640			
1,851,632 " "		886,960		
399,701 decrease,			2,660	25,320
333 Town Lot,	5,000			
337 " "		8,240		
4 decrease,				3,240
12 Negroes,	6,900			
11 " [1 increase,		5,900	1,000	
18 Horses,	2,180			
17 " [1 increase		2,020	160	
345 Cattle,	2,580			
1,637 "		8,740		
1,292 decrease,				6,160
1 Stores, Mdze. on hand,	3,000			
1 " " "		3,500		
				500
Miscellaneous property,	386	1,000		614
Total	2,770,392	2,618,500	189,886	37,994

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	789	45	698	49
" " " " Town Lots,	112	44	112	89
" " " " Negroes,	1,336	65	1,228	65
" " " " Horses,	235	11	204	69
" " " " Cattle,	160	83	130	23
" " " " Money at interest,	74	84	49	64
" " " " Merchandize,	76	74	79	53
" " " " Mis'la's property,	65	71	61	50
Poll Tax,	444	00	412	00
Amount of Ad Val. tax on property	3,295	77	2,977	62
out of the county,	1,322	53	1,374	54
Total rev'nue from ad val and poll tax,	4,618	30	4,352	16

License Tax	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	246	85	253	49
" Spirits,	16	66	333	33
" Pedlars,	20	00	16	66
" Billiards,	50	00	66	66
" Exhibitions,	50	00		
" Ten Pins,	13	34	33	33
" Restaurat,	10	00		
Total revenue from License tax,	406	85	703	47

Am't of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	4,618	30
" " " " " " 1854,	4,352	16
Increase,	266	14
Am't of License tax for 1855,	406	85
" " " " " 1854,	703	47
Decrease,	296	62
Average value of Land per acre in the county, for 1855,	1	15
" " " " " " " " " 1854,	1	06
Increase,		09

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
267454 acres of Land,	557,000			
265,472 " "		388,640		
1,982 increase,			168,360	
120 Town Lots,	42,620			
107 " "		38,660		
13 increase,			3,960	
1,135 Negroes,	625,760			
871 "		491,600		
264 increase,			134,160	
2,812 Horses,	143,360			
2,189 "		100,860		
623 increase,			42,500	
29,505 Cattle,	227,080			
23,114 "		153,980		
6,391 increase,			73,100	
24 Money Lend's, am't l't	21,300			
25 " "		15,320		
1 decrease,			5,980	
13 Stores, Mdze on hand,	48,700			
12 " " "		24,760		
1 increase,			23,940	
Miscellaneous Property,	45,566	27,386	18,180	
Property out of the Co.				
214,273 acres of Land,	230,120			
229,396 " "		228,933		
15,123 decrease,			1,187	
5 Town Lots,	230			
14 " "		120		
9 decrease,			110	
Total,	1,941,736	1,470,259	471,477	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	835	50	582	96
" " Town Lots,	63	93	57	99
" " Negroes,	938	64	737	40
" " Horses,	215	04	151	29
" " Cattle,	340	62	230	97
" " Money at interest,	42	60	30	64
" " Merchandize,	73	05	37	18
" " Miscellaneous Prop'y,	68	35	41	08
Poll Tax,	268	50	244	00
	2,846	23	2,113	51
Am't of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	345	52	343	58
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	3,191	75	2,457	09

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	94	79	58	34
" Spirits,			117	46
" Pedlars,	13	33		
" Billiards,			6	67
" Exhibitions,			8	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	108	12	190	80

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	3,191	75
" " " " " 1854,	2,457	09
Increase,	734	66
Amount of license tax for 1855,	108	12
" " " 1854,	190	80
Decrease,	82	68
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	09
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	46
Increase,		63

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the County.				
181,215 acres of Land,	191,610			
181,993 " "		182,620		
778 decrease,			8,980	
833 Town Lots,	6,640			
619 " "		4,760		
214 increase,			1,880	
602 Negroes,	295,000			
647 "		303,700		
45 decrease,				8,700
496 Horses,	33,280			
429 "		27,380		
67 increase,			5,900	
4,481 Cattle,	26,600			
4,072 "		22,360		
409 increase,			4,240	
6 Mon'y lend'rs, am't l't,	4,036			
4 " " " "		760		
2 increase,			3,276	
7 Stores, mdze. on hand,	5,260			
3 " " " "		4,420		
4 increase,			840	
Miscellaneous property,	18,280	4,946	13,334	
Property out of the Co.				
51,184 acres of Land,	33,200			
17,298 " "		22,660		
33,886 increase,			10,540	
5 Town Lots,	160			
2 " "		80		
3 increase,			80	
Total,	614,056	573,686	49,070	8,700

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS
Ad val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	287	40	273	93
" " Town Lots,	9	96	7	14
" " Negroes,	442	50	455	55
" " Horses,	49	92	41	07
" " Cattle,	39	90	33	54
" " Money at interest,	8	07	1	52
" " Merchandize,	7	89	6	60
" " Miscel's property,	27	42	7	42
Poll Tax,	118	00	115	00
	991	06	941	77
Am. of Ad val. Tax on property out of the County,	51	04	34	12
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	1,042	10	975	89

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	46	52	12	54
" Spirits,	50	00	33	33
" Pedlars,	6	66		
Total revenue from License Tax,	103	18	45	87

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,042	10
" " " 1854,	975	89
Increase,	66	21
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	103	18
" " " 1854,	45	87
Increase,	57	31
Average value of Land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	06
" " " " " 1854,	1	00
Increase,		06

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECRE'SE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
817,308 Acres of Land,	245,360			
843,221 "		278,220		
25,913 decrease,				32,860
1,107 Town Lots,	215,740			
1 275 "		178,980		
168 decrease,			36,760	
89 Negroes,	41,000			
89 "		42,200		
				1,200
1,315 Horses,	17,920			
1,711 "		21,700		
396 decrease,				3,780
14,364 Cattle,	72,380			
10,395 "		51,220		
3,969 increase,			21,160	
Money at interest,				
" "				
17 Stores, m'dz on hand,	97,840			
10 " "		24,660		
7 increase,			73,180	
Miscellaneous property,	26,566	13,860	12,706	
Property out of the Co.				
65,288 Acres of Land,	17,593			
57,406 "		22,560		
8,882 increase,				4,967
Town Lots,				
"				
Negroes,				
25 "		10,000		
25 decrease,				10,000
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
40 "		306		
40 decrease,				306
Total,	734,399	643,706	443,806	53,113

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOL'RS.	CTS	DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	368	04	417	33
" " Town lots,	323	61	268	47
" " Negroes,	61	50	63	60
" " Horses,	26	88	32	55
" " Cattle,	108	57	76	83
" " Money lenders				
" " Merchandize,	146	76	36	99
" " Mis'laneous property,	39	85	20	79
Poll Tax,	152	00	122	50
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the County,	1,227	21	1,038	76
	26	39	49	30
Tot'l rev'e fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	1,253	60	1,088	06

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	333	65	316	51
" Spirits,			265	67
" Billiards,	63	35	83	33
" Exhibitions,	16	66		
" Ten Pins,	46	66	6	67
" Auctioneers,	66	66	8	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	526	98	680	51

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,253	60
" " " " " " 1854,	1,088	06
Increase,	165	54
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	526	98
" " " " 1854,	680	51
Decrease,	153	53
Aver'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,		30
" " " " " " " " 1854,		33
Decrease,		03

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
Acres of land, 59,574 " "		64,660		
Town lots, 167 "		17,360		
Negroes, 199 "		95,620		
Horses, 753 "		15,400		
Cattle, 10,512 "		58,140		
Mon'y ld'rs, am't l'nt, 7 " " "		5,070		
St'res, mdze on hand, 5 " " "		8,560		
Miscellan's property,		4,740		
Property out of the Co.				
Acres of land, 37,422 " "		19,926		
Town lots, 1 "		500		
Negroes, "				
Horses, "				
Cattle, 200 "		1,200		
Total,		291,176		

NOTE.—Assessment for 1855 not received.

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,			96	99
" Town Lots,			26	04
" Negroes,			143	43
" Horses,			23	10
" Cattle,			87	21
" Money Lenders,			10	14
" Merchandize,			12	84
" Miscellan's prop'rty			7	11
Poll Tax,			57	50
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property			464	36
out of the county,			32	44
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll Tax,			496	80

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,			29	66
" Spirits,			100	00
" Pedlars,			3	33
NOTE.—Returns for 1855 not received.				
Total revenue from License Tax,			132	99

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	
" " " " " 1854,	496 80
Amount License Tax for 1855,	
" " " 1854,	132 99
Av'r'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	
" " " " " " " 1854,	1 08

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
283,948 acres of Land,	556,380			
261,792 " "		509,860		
22,156 increase,			46,520	
87 Town Lots,	16,940			
85 "		13,260		
2 increase,			3,680	
1,990 Negroes,	972,766			
1,447 "		836,860		
543 increase,			135,906	
1,531 Horses,	121,800			
1,394 "		108,760		
137 increase,			13,040	
8,683 Cattle,	58,820			
7,878 "		55,874		
805 increase,			2,946	
35 mon'y len's, am't lent	12,910			
29 " " "		9,860		
6 increase,			3,050	
14 stores, Mdze on hand,	24,400			
10 " "		13,860		
4 increase,			10,540	
Miscellaneous Property,				
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
87,111 Acres of land,	70,246			
92,346 " "		61,450		
5,235 decrease,			8,796	
12 Town lots,	850			
22 "		230		
10 decrease,			620	
Total,	1,835,112	1,610,014	225,098	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad valorem and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	834	57	764	79
" " Town Lots,	25	41	19	89
" " Negroes,	1,459	15	1,255	29
" " Horses,	182	70	163	14
" " Cattle,	88	23	82	31
" " Money lenders,	25	82	19	72
" " Merchandize,	48	80	27	72
" " Miscela's property				
" Poll Tax,	331	50	305	00
Amount of ad valorem tax on property out of the county,	2,996	18	2,637	86
	106	64	92	52
Total revenue from ad val. and Poll Tax,	3,102	82	2,730	38
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,			102	29
" Spirits,			275	78
" Pedlars,	13	33	10	00
" Billiards,			16	66
Total revenue from License Tax,	13	33	405	73

Amount of Ad Valorem and Poll Tax for 1855,	3,102	82
" " " " " " 1854,	2,730	38
Increase,	372	44
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	13	33
" " " 1854,	404	73
Decrease,	391	40
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	96
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	95
Increase,		01

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCR'ESE	DECR'SE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
200,982 acres of land,	388,500			
259,469 " "		524,360		
58,487 decrease,				135,860
95 Town lots,	15,480			
95 " "		12,500		
			2,980	
1,427 Negroes,	695,280			
1,856 "		993,200		
429 decrease,				297,920
1,026 Horses,	59,620			
1,337 "		78,000		
311 decrease,				18,380
5,408 Cattle,	27,240			
6,842 "		34,360		
1,434 decrease,				7,120
28 Mon'y len'ers, am't lent,	21,080			
22 " " "		9,485		
6 increase,			11,595	
12 Stores Mdze. on hand,	37,100			
10 " " "		41,760		
2 increase,				4,660
Miscellaneous Property,	27,693	31,886		6,193
Prop'ty out of the County.				
80,779 acres of land,	68,380			
143,731 " "		114,560		
62,952 decrease,				46,180
15 Town lots,	1,320			
32 "		1,120		
17 decrease,			200	
23 Negroes,	11,800			
23 "		11,800		
11 Horses,	613			
11 "		800		
				187
Total,	1,354,106	1,853,831	14,775	516,500

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Am't of tax on land,	582	75	786	54
" " Town lots,	23	22	18	75
" " Negroes,	1,042	92	1,489	80
" " Horses,	89	43	117	00
" " Cattle,	40	86	51	54
" " Money at interest,	42	16	18	97
" " Merchandize,	55	65	62	14
" " Miscela's property,	41	62	47	83
Poll Tax,	122	00	131	00
	2,040	61	2,723	57
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the county,	123	27	192	42
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll tax,	2,163	88	2,915	99

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	139	11	82	13
" Spirits,			125	00
" Pedlars,				
" Billiards,			41	66
Total rev'ue from License Tax,	139	11	248	79

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	2,163	88
" " " " " " 1854,	2,915	99
Decrease,	752	11
Amount of license tax for 1855,	139	11
" " " 1854,	248	79
Decrease,	109	68
Avr'ge val. of land pr. acre in the County for 1855,	1	93
" " " " " " " 1854,	2	02
Decrease,		09

NOTE.—County not organized.

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ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
338,005 Acres of land,	569,400			
307,630 " "		492,380		
30,375 increase,			77,020	
360 Town lots,	82,160			
357 " "		76,960		
3 increase,			5,200	
1,807 Negroes,	1,015,980			
1,666 "		928,280		
141 increase,			87,700	
1,731 Horses,	102,780			
1,428 "		89,780		
403 increase,			13,000	
12,810 Cattle,	95,600			
10,561 "		70,740		
2,249 increase,			24,860	
30 Mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	22,230			
13 " " " "		17,060		
17 increase,			5,170	
12 stores Mdz. on hand,	35,860			
14 " " "		41,480		
2 decrease,				5,620
Miscellaneous Property,	42,093	35,673	6,420	
Property out of the Co.				
188,402 Acres of land,	148,060			
208,014 " "		161,743		
19,612 decrease,				13,683
7 Town lots,	440			
2 "		50		
5 increase,			390	
Negroes, "				
Horses, "				
Cattle, "				
Total,	2,114,603	1,914,146	219,760	19,303

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOL'RS.	CTS	DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	854	10	738	57
" " Town lots,	123	24	115	44
" " Negroes,	1,523	97	1,392	42
" " Horses,	154	17	134	67
" " Cattle,	143	40	106	11
" " Money at interest,	44	46	34	12
" " Merchandize,	53	79	62	22
" " Mis'laneous property,	63	14	53	51
Poll tax,	214	00	184	00
	3,174	27	2,821	06
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the County,	222	75	242	69
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	3,397	02	3,063	75

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	146	15		
" Spirits,			130	81
" Pedlars,			3	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	146	15	134	14

Am't of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	3,397	02
" " " " " " 1854,	3,063	75
Increase,	333	27
Am't of License tax for 1855,	146	15
" " " " " 1854,	134	14
Increase,	12	01
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	70
" " " " " " " " " " 1854,	1	60
Increase,		10

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.
Property in the county.				
228,724 Acres of land,	121,460			
235,609 "		98,100		
6,885 decrease,			23,360	
84 Town lots,	11,440			
88 "		6,360		
4 decrease,			5,080	
148 Negroes,	78,620			
148 "		70,160		
			8,460	
1,550 Horses,	32,420			
1,229 "		24,000		
321 increase,			8,420	
45,833 Cattle,	242,620			
33,498 "		169,260		
12,335 increase,			73,360	
1 Mon'y lend'rs, am't lent,	2,000			
" "				
1 increase,			2,000	
6 Stores, Mdz. on hand,	14,100			
1 " "		4,000		
5 increase,			10,100	
Miscellaneous property,	27,806	13,560	14,246	
Property out of the Co.				
188,761 Acres of land,	61,960			
156,568 "		48,713		
32,193 increase,				
33 Town lots,	528		13,247	
42 "		920		
9 decrease,				392
Negroes,				
Horses,				
6 "		180		
6 decrease,				180
Cattle,				
1,500 "		7,500		
1,500 decrease,				7,500
Total,	592,954	442,753	158,273	8,072

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLS.	CTS.	DOLLS	CTS
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	182	19	147	15
" " Town Lots,	17	16	9	54
" " Negroes,	117	93	105	24
" " Horses,	48	63	36	00
" " Cattle,	363	93	253	89
" " Money at interest,	4	00		
" " Merchandize,	21	15	6	00
" " Miscellaneous property,	41	71	20	34
Poll Tax,	67	00	52	00
Amount of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	863	70	630	16
	93	73	85	97
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	957	43	716	13

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
NOTE.—No returns rec'd for either year.				
Total revenue from License Tax,				

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	957	43
" " " " " " 1854,	716	13
Increase,	241	30

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	53
" " " " " " " 1854,	42
Increase,	11

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Property in the County,				
163,949 acres of Land,	373,080			
149,962 " "		333,520		
13,987 increase,			39,560	
53 Town Lots,	13,620			
55 " "		14,720		
2 decrease,				1,100
1,239 Negroes,	636,200			
1,047 "		570,020		
192 increase,			66,180	
1,583 Horses,	87,040			
1,495 "		82,240		
88 increase,			4,800	
19,949 Cattle,	125,540			
19,931 "		109,140		
18 increase,			16,400	
19 Mon'y lend'rs, am't l't,	140,200			
18 " " " "		14,800		
1 increase,				4,600
8 Stores, mdze. on hand,	54,560			
9 " " " "		21,580		
1 decrease,			32,980	
Miscellaneous Property,	34,186	29,486	4,700	
Property out of the Co.				
138,393 acres of Land,	127,560			
167,493 " "		157,880		
29,100 decrease,				30,320
5 Town Lots,	210			
20 " "		920		
15 decrease,				710
Negroes,				
7 "				
7 decrease,		3,300		3,300
1 Horses,	40			
1 increase,			40	
10 Cattle,	60			
300 " [290 decrease,		1,200		1,140
Miscellaneous Property,		906		906
Total,	1,462,296	1,339,712	164,660	42,076

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	559	62	500	28
" " Town Lots,	20	43	22	08
" " Negroes,	954	30	855	03
" " Horses,	130	56	123	36
" " Cattle,	188	31	163	71
" " Money at interest	20	40	29	60
" " Merchandize,	81	84	32	37
" " Miscel's property,	51	28	44	23
Poll Tax,	159	00	150	00
	2,165	74	1,920	66
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	191	80	246	31
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	2,357	54	2,166	97

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	85	59	63	48
" Spirits,			66	66
" Pedlars,	53	30	10	00
Total revenue from License Tax,	138	89	140	14

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax, for 1855,	2,357	54
" " " 1854,	2,166	97
Increase,	190	57
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	138	89
" " " 1854,	140	14
Decrease,	1	25
Average val. of land per acre in the county, for 1855,	2	62
" " " " 1854,	2	23
Increase,		39

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	D'CREASE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
459,226 Acres of Land,	1,339,340			
496,600 "		1,344,066		
37,374 decrease,				4,726
300 Town Lots,	69,760			
336 "		99,760		
36 decrease,				30,000
3,620 Negroes,	1,889,080			
3,499 "		1,806,340		
121 increase,			82,740	
2,712 Horses,	212,140			
2,450 "		187,540		
262 increase,			24,600	
9,080 Cattle,	50,980			
8,173 "		41,620		
907 increase,			9,360	
83 mon'y lend's, am't lent	59,180			
40 " " " "		24,100		
43 increase,			35,080	
42 stores, mdze. on hand,	96,980			
49 " " "		131,960		
7 decrease,				34,980
Miscellaneous Property,	176,593	245,946		69,353
Property out of the Co.				
189,848 Acres of Land,	189,086			
184,137 " " "		179,590		
5,711 increase,			9,496	
11 Town Lots,	3,160			
13 " "		700		
2 decrease,			2,460	
590 Cattle,	3,573			
"				
590 increase,			3,573	
Total	4,089,872	4,061,622	167,309	139,059

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	2,009	01	2,016	10
" " Town Lots,	104	64	149	64
" " Negroes,	2,833	62	2,709	51
" " Horses,	318	21	281	31
" " Cattle,	76	47	62	43
" " Money at interest,	118	36	48	20
" " Merchandize,	145	47	197	94
" " Miscellan's property,	264	89	368	92
Poll Tax,	636	00	748	00
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on property	6,506	67	6,582	05
out of the County,	293	73	270	44
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	6,800	40	6,852	49

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	194	07	635	36
" Spirits,			706	68
" Pedlars,	45	00	30	00
" Billiards,	50	00	183	33
" Ten Pins,	5	00	16	67
Total revenue from license tax,	294	07	1,572	04

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	6,800	40
" " " " " 1854,	6,852	49
Decrease,	52	49
Amount of license tax for 1855,	294	07
" " " 1854,	1,572	04
Decrease,	1,277	97
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	91
" " " " " " " 1854,	2	71
Increase,		20

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
193,261 acres of Land,	140,700			
185,373 " "		143,220		
7,888 increase,				2,520
343 Town Lots,	11,020			
317 " "		11,540		
26 increase,				520
800 Negroes,	324,600			
838 "		355,860		
38 decrease,				31,260
247 Horses,	15,900			
263 "		16,760		
16 decrease,				860
1,544 Cattle,	7,420			
1,576 " "		6,840		
32 decrease,			580	
8 mon'y lend's, am't l't,	3,600			
5 " " " "		1,360		
3 increase,			2,240	
4 Stores, Mdze on hand,	8,260			
5 " " "		14,700		
1 decrease,				6,440
Miscellaneous Property,	7,633	6,420	1,213	
Property out of the Co.				
191,138 acres of Land,	102,266			
194,460 " "		109,553		
3,322 decrease,				7,287
9 Town Lots,	500			
9 " "		500		
Negroes,				
"		2,300		
4 decrease,				2,300
Horses,				
4 "		160		
4 decrease,				160
600 Cattle,	3,500			
"				
600 increase,			3,500	
Total,	625,399	669,213	7,533	51,347

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,	211	05	214	83
" " Town lots,	16	53	17	31
" " Negroes,	486	90	533	79
" " Horses,	23	85	25	14
" " Cattle,	11	13	10	26
" " Money at interest,	7	20	2	72
" " Merchandise,	12	39	22	05
" " Miscell's property,	11	45	9	63
Poll Tax,	87	50	89	00
	868	00	924	73
Amount of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	159	40	169	37
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	1,027	40	1,094	10
License Tax.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	49	14	60	00
" Spirits,	50	00	66	66
" Pedlars,	6	66	3	34
Totalrevenue from license tax,	105	80	130	00

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	1,027	40
" " " " " " " 1854,	1,094	10
Decrease,	66	70
Amount of license tax for 1855,	105	80
" " " " 1854,	130	00
Decrease,	24	20
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,		73
" " " " " " " " " 1854,		77
Decrease,		04

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION, 1855.	VALUATION, 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS	DOL'RS
Property in the County.				
178,232 Acres of land,	244,380			
197,374 "		269,600		
19,142 decrease,				25,220
288 Town lots,	41,940			
329 "		44,820		
41 decrease,				2,880
1,382 Negroes,	651,320			
1,571 "		732,460		
189 decrease,				81,140
858 Horses,	56,320			
995 "		63,740		
137 decrease,				7,420
4,560 Cattle,	28,320			
5,690 "		31,120		
1,130 decrease,				2,800
26 Mon'y lend'rs, am't lent	31,060			
32 " "		27,940		
6 decrease,			3,120	
14 Stores, m'dz. on hand,	40,440			
11 " "		33,080		
3 increase,			7,360	
Miscellaneous property,	27,826	26,360	1,466	
Property out of the Co.				
1,079,761 Acres of land,	664,500			
1,198,541 "		739,100		
118,780 decrease,				74,600
35 Town lots,	2,600			
85 "		3,320		
50 decrease,				720
66 Negroes,	35,800			
127 "		65,560		
61 decrease,				29,760
88 Horses,	3,200			
91 " [3 decrease,		2,890	310	
1,443 Cattle,	10,360			
1,848 " [405 decrease,		8,340	2,020	
Miscellaneo suopeıptry,	560	860		300
Total,	1,838,626	2,049,190	14,276	224,840

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	366	57	404	40
" " Town Lots,	62	91	67	23
" " Negroes,	976	98	1,098	69
" " Horses,	84	48	95	61
" " Cattle,	42	48	46	68
" " Money at interest,	62	12	55	88
" " Merchandize,	60	66	49	62
" " Miscellaneous pr'p'y,	41	74	39	54
Poll Tax,	130	50	143	50
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	1,828	44	2,001	15
Am't of ad val and poll tax owned by non-residents.	1,075	53	1,230	10
			11	10
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax	2,903	97	3,242	35

Licesnse Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	188	43	139	22
" Spirits,	36	78	176	44
" Pedlars,	10	00	10	00
" Billiards,	173	83	119	02
" Exhibitions,	25	00	8	33
" Restaurats,	5	00		
Total revneue from License tax,	439	04	453	01

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,903	97
" " " " " 1854,	3,242	35
Decrease,	338	38
Amount of license tax for 1855,	439	04
" " " 1854,	453	01
Decrease,	13	97
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	37
" " " " " " 1854,	1	36
Increase,		01

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ITEMS OF TAXATION	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
310,751 acres of Land,	153,880			
302,087 " "		149,360		
8,664 increase,			4,520	
42 Town Lots,	4,560			
33 " "		3,880		
9 increase,			680	
21 Negroes,	12,760			
9 "		4,800		
12 increase,			7,960	
252 Horses,	6,100			
169 "		3,700		
83 increase,			2,400	
10,510 Cattle,	63,180			
5,738 "		34,000		
4,772 increase,			29,180	
1 mon'y len'r, am't lent,	200			
" " " "				
1 increase,			200	
6 stores, mdze. on h'nd	5,200			
4 " " "		6,100		
2 increase,				900
Miscellaneous Property,	6,853	4,596	2,257	
Property out of the Co.				
85,106 acres of Land,	34,880			
62,110 " "		21,273		
22,996 increase,			13,607	
37 Town Lots,	7,826			
4 " "		60		
33 increase,			7,766	
Negroes,				
2 "		1,800		
2 decrease,				1,800
Total,	295,439	229,569	68,570	2,700

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS	CTS	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	230	82	224	04
" " Town lots,	6	84	5	82
" " Negroes,	19	14	7	20
" " Horses,	9	15	5	50
" " Cattle,	94	27	51	00
" " Money at interest,		40		
" " Merchandize,	7	80	9	15
" " Miscellan's property,	10	28	6	88
Poll Tax,	35	50	27	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property	414	20	336	59
out of the county.	64	06	34	70
Tot'l rev'ue fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	478	26	371	29

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	41	55		
" Spirits,	16	66		
Total revenue from License tax,	58	21		

Am't of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855.	478	26
" " " " " 1854,	371	29
Increase,	106	97
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	58	21
" " " " 1854,		
Aver'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,		50
" " " " " " " 1854,		49
Increase,		01

NOTE.—No License returns received for 1854.

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the Co.				
207,892 acres of land,	313,000			
245,321 " "		331,920		
37,429 decrease,				18,920
68 Town lots,	5,800			
66 " "		9,120		
2 increase,				3,320
775 Negroes,	436,360			
890 "		489,260		
115 decrease,				52,900
941 Horses,	67,340			
955 "		70,600		
14 decrease,				3,260
7,172 Cattle,	44,280			
6,751 "		35,520		
421 increase,			8,760	
25 m'n'y l'nd's, am't l't,	9,590			
32 " " "		12,260		
7 decrease,				2,670
7 st'r's, mdze. on h'nd,	19,390			
5 " " "		8,500		
2 increase,			10,890	
Miscellan's property,	57,073	61,746		4,673
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
67,372 acres of land,	73,946			
80,458 " "		91,020		
13,086 decrease,				17,074
1 Town lot,	150			
"				
1 increase,			150	
Total,	1,026,929	1,109,946	19,800	102,817

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Am't of tax on Land,	469	50	497	88
" " Town lots,	8	70	13	68
" " Negroes,	654	54	733	89
" " Horses,	101	01	105	90
" " Cattle,	66	42	53	28
" " Money at interest,	19	18	25	52
" " Merchandize,	38	78	17	00
" " Miscellan's property,	85	61	92	62
Poll Tax,	196	00	218	00
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the county,	1,639	74	1,757	77
	111	14	136	53
T't'l rev'ue from Ad Val. and P'll t'x	1,750	88	1,894	30

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	74	34	77	46
" Spirits,			33	33
" Pedlars,	6	66	16	66
" Billiards,	16	66	16	67
Total revenue from License Tax,	97	66	144	12

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,750	88
" " " " " " 1854,	1,894	30
Decrease,	143	42
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	97	66
" " " " 1854,	144	12
Decrease,	46	46
Average value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	1	50
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	36
Increase,		14

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the Co.				
324,144 acres of land,	906,530			
295,837 " "		679,800		
28,307 increase,			226,780	
175 Town lots,	41,080			
171 " "		40,380		
4 increase,			700	
2,414 Negroes,	1,234,740			
1,823 "		817,360		
591 increase,			417,380	
1,677 Horses,	127,920			
1,312 "		110,220		
365 increase,			17,700	
5,472 Cattle,	30,340			
5,576 "		28,500		
104 decrease,			1,840	
25 mon'y lend's, am't l't	12,960			
19 " " "		11,340		
6 increase,			1,620	
21 st'r's, md'ze on h'nd	39,100			
18 " " "		18,360		
3 increase,			20,740	
Miscellan's property,	42,920	38,053	4,867	
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
59,654 acres of land,	72,560			
61,693 " "		59,900		
2,039 decrease,			12,660	
12 Town lots,	400			
7 " "		720		
5 increase,				320
25 Negroes,	12,500			
6 "		3,000		
19 increase,			9,500	
7 Horses,	700			
"				
7 increase,			700	
85 Cattle,	500			
31 "		180		
54 increase,			320	
Total,	2,522,300	1,807,813	714,807	320

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855 DOL'RS	CTS	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on land,	1,359	87	1,019	70
" " Town lots,	61	62	60	57
" " Negroes,	1,852	10	1,226	04
" " Horses,	191	88	165	33
" " Cattle,	45	51	42	75
" " Money at interest,	25	92	22	68
" " Merchandize,	58	65	27	54
" " Miscela's property,	64	38	57	08
" Poll Tax,	570	00	500	00
	4,229	93	3,121	69
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	129	99	95	70
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	4,359	92	3,217	39
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	232	77	197	35
" Spirits,	216	64	200	00
" Pedlars,			10	00
" Billiards,	100	00	50	00
" Ten Pins,			6	66
Total revenue from License Tax,	549	41	464	01

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,		4,359 92
" " " " " " 1854,		3,217 39
	Increase,	1,142 53
Amount of License Tax for 1855,		549 41
" " " " 1854,		464 01
	Increase,	85 40
Aver'ge value of land per acre, in the Co. for 1855,		2 80
" " " " " " " 1854,		2 30
	Increase,	50

ITEMS OF TAXATION	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
Acres of land,				
"				
Town lots,				
"				
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
"				
Mon'y len's, am't lent				
" " " "				
Stores, Mrdz. on hand,				
" " "				
Miscellaneous Property,				
Property out of the Co.				
Acres of land,				
"				
Town lots,				
"				
Total,				

NOTE.—No Assessment received for either year.

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOL'RS.	CTS.	DOL'RS	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,				
" " Town lots,				
" " Negroes,				
" " Horses,				
" " Cattle,				
" " Money at interest,				
" " Merchandize,				
" " Miscella's property				
Poll tax,				
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the county,				
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax				

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
NOTE.—No returns received for either year.				
Total revenue from License tax,				

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,
" " " " " " 1854,

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,
" " " " " " " " " 1854,

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the county.				
127,047 Acres of Land	223,800			
83,846 "		99,100		
43,201 increase,			124,700	
50 Town Lots,	2,800			
47 "		840		
3 increase,			1,960	
280 Negroes,	165,740			
141 "		70,360		
139 increase,			95,380	
1,696 Horses,	82,040			
501 "		27,000		
1,195 increase,			55,040	
13,570 Cattle,	101,080			
4,231 "		31,160		
9,339 increase,			69,920	
20 mon'y Ind's, am't l'nt	8,820			
4 " " " "		820		
16 increase,			8,000	
16 Stores, mdz. on hand,	20,460			
5 " " " "		5,060		
11 increase,			15,400	
Miscellaneous Property	27,753	6,600	21,153	
Property out of the Co.				
19,781 Acres of Land,	24,340			
4,627 " " "		6,140		
15,154 increase,			18,200	
Town Lots,				
" "				
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Cattle,				
"				
Total,	656,833	247,080	409,753	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	335	70	148	65
" Town Lots,	4	20	1	26
" Negroes,	248	61	105	54
" Horses,	123	06	40	50
" Cattle,	151	62	46	74
" Money at interest,	17	64	1	64
" Merchandize,	30	69	7	59
" Miscellaneous prop'ty,	41	63	9	90
Poll Tax,	293	50	129	00
	1,246	65	490	82
Am't of Ad val tax on property out of the county.	36	51	9	21
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and poll tax,	1,283	16	500	03

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	58	67	10	35
" Spirits,	16	66	33	33
" Pedlars,	30	00		
Total revenue from License Tax,	105	33	43	68

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	1,283	16
" " " " 1854,	500	03
Increase,	783	13
Amount of License tax for 1855,	105	33
" " " 1854,	43	68
Increase,	61	65
Average value of Land per acre in the County for 1855,	1	76
" " " " " 1854,	1	14
Increase,		62

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
261,231 Acres of Land,	443,000			
222,158 " "		322,460		
39,073 increase,			120,540	
228 Town Lots,	38,100			
210 " "		27,240		
18 increase			10,860	
1,208 Negroes,	562,680			
960 "		438,400		
248 increase,			124,280	
1,050 Horses,	64,400			
1,085 "		67,220		
35 decrease,				2,820
7,10 Cattle,	46,000			
7,383 "		43,160		
283 decrease,			2,840	
27 mon'y lend's am't lent	16,260			
21 " " " "		10,180		
6 increase,			6,080	
14 stores, Mdze on hand,	26,520			
7 " " "		7,660		
7 increase,			18,860	
Miscellaneous Property,	28,266	27,753	513	
Property out of the Co.				
53,286 Acres of Land,	49,020			
36,301 " "		29,080		
16,985 increase,			19,940	
13 Town Lots,	1,220			
3 " "		150		
10 increase,			1,070	
8 Negroes,	5,000			
8 increase,			5,000	
3 Horses,	120			
3 increase,			120	
60 Cattle,	420			
6 "		90		
54 increase,			330	
Miscellaneous Property,	926		926	
Total	1,281,932	973,393	311,359	2,820

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	664	50	483	69
" " Town Lots,	57	15	40	86
" " Negroes,	844	02	657	60
" " Horses,	96	60	100	83
" " Cattle,	69	00	64	74
" " Money at interest,	32	52	20	36
" " Merchandize,	39	78	11	49
" " Miscellaneous property,	42	40	41	63
Poll Tax,	329	00	300	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	2,174	97	1,721	20
	85	06	43	98
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	2,260	03	1,765	18

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	76	08	159	45
" Spirits,			191	66
" Pedlars,	6	66	23	34
" Exhibitions,			8	33
Total revenue from license tax,	82	74	382	78

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	2,260	03
" " " " " 1854,	1,765	18
Increase,	494	85
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	82	74
" " " " 1854,	382	78
Decrease,	300	04
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	70
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	45
Increase,		25

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS
Property in the county.				
380,323 Acres of Land,	1,193,060			
246,620 "		856,720		
133,703 increase,			336,340	
1,527 Town lots,	676,420			
1,345 "		562,240		
182 increase,			114,180	
2,068 Negroes,	1,105,660			
1,577 "		866,120		
491 increase,			239,540	
3,745 Horses,	188,780			
2,768 "		128,620		
977 increase,			60,160	
17,906 Cattle,	109,240			
13,354 "		68,640		
4,552 increase,			40,600	
20 Mon'y ln'rs, am't lent	20,080			
8 " "		8,580		
12 increase,			11,500	
32 Stores, Mdz on hand,	153,020			
21 " "		148,400		
11 increase,			4,620	
Miscellaneous property	124,946	99,746	25,200	
Property out of the Co.				
1,135,952 Acres of land	718,180			
920,872 "		569,880		
215,080 increase,			148,300	
60 Town lots,	7,040			
25 "		2,986		
35 increase,			4,054	
Negroes, "				
1 Horses, "	50			
1 increase,			50	
490 Cattle,	2,940			
490 increase,			2,940	
Miscellaneous property	500		500	
Total,	4,299,916	3,311,932	987,984	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS.	CTS.
Ad val. and poll tax on property in the Co.				
Amount of tax on Land,	1,789	59	1,285	08
" " Town Lots,	1,014	63	843	36
" " Negroes,	1,658	49	1,299	18
" " Horses,	283	17	192	93
" " Cattle,	163	86	102	96
" " Money at interest,	40	16	17	16
" " Merchandize,	229	53	222	60
" " Miscellaneous Prop'y,	187	42	146	92
Poll Tax,	345	50	232	50
	5,712	35	4,342	69
Am't of Ad val. tax on property out of the county,	1,093	06	859	30
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	6,805	41	5,201	99

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
NOTE.—Returns not rec'd.				
Total revenue from License Tax,				

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	6,805	41
" " " " " 1854,	5,201	99
Increase,	1,603	42

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	3	14
" " " " " " " 1854,	3	50
Decrease,		36

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.
Property in the County.				
41,208 acres of Land,	45,180			
14,615 " "		19,320		
26,593 increase,			25,860	
34 Town Lots,	2,540			
" "				
34 increase,			2,540	
260 Negroes,	134,100			
139 "		71,700		
121 increase,			62,400	
516 Horses,	25,460			
288 "		13,920		
228 increase,			11,540	
7,017 Cattle,	39,506			
5,207 "		28,120		
1,810 increase,			11,380	
11 Mon'y lend'rs, am't l't,	5,020			
6 " " " "		2,330		
5 increase,			2,690	
1 Store, indze. on hand,	2,600			
" " " "				
1 increase,			2,600	
Miscellaneous property,	12,810	4,866	7,944	
Property out of the Co.				
16,301 acres of Land,	11,773	6,580		
9,928 " "				
6,373 increase,			5,193	
Town Lots,				
" "				
Negroes,				
"				
Total,	278,983	146,836	132,147	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the county.				
Amount of tax on Land,	67	77	28	98
" Town Lots,	3	81		
" Negroes,	201	15	107	05
" Horses,	38	19	20	88
" Cattle,	59	25	42	18
" Money at interest,	10	10	4	66
" Merchandize,	5	20		
" Miscellan's prop'rty	19	22	7	30
Poll Tax,	91	00	48	50
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property	495	69	259	55
out of the county,	17	66	9	87
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll Tax,	513	35	269	42

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Spirits,	33	33	16	66
" Pedlars,	10	00		
Total revenue from License Tax,	43	33	16	66

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,		513 35
" " " " " 1854,		269 42
	Increase,	243 93
Amount License Tax for 1855,		43 33
" " " 1854,		16 66
	Increase,	26 67
Av'r'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,		1 09
" " " " " " " 1854,		1 32
	Decrease,	23

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
213,358 acres of land,	230,940			
129,360 " "		204,480		
83,998 increase,			26,460	
164 Town lots,	22,720			
200 "		22,120		
36 decrease,			600	
752 Negroes,	388,060			
770 "		415,880		
18 decrease,				27,820
713 Horses,	50,480			
688 "		45,920		
25 increase,			4,560	
5,484 Cattle,	29,120			
4,490 "		24,620		
994 increase,			4,500	
17 mon'y len'rs, am't l't,	5,040			
17 " " "		6,540		
				1,500
7 st'r's, m'ze on hand,	11,760			
9 " " "		13,860		
2 decrease,				2,100
Miscellan's property,	7,173	7,766		593
Property out of the Co.				
59,097 acres of land,	48,760			
62,409 " "		47,746		
3,312 decrease,			1,014	
27 Town lots,	400			
29 "		1,100		
2 decrease,				700
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
"				
Total,	794,453	790,032	37,134	32,713

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	346	41	306	12
" " Town lots,	34	08	33	18
" " Negroes,	582	09	623	82
" " Horses,	75	72	68	88
" " Cattle,	43	68	36	93
" " Money at interest,	10	08	13	08
" " Merchandize,	17	64	20	79
" " Mis'laneous property,	10	76	11	65
Poll Tax,	182	50	181	00
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the County,	1,302	96	1,295	45
	73	74	73	27
Tot'l rev'e fr'm Ad Val. and P'l t'x,	1,376	70	1,368	72

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	22	73	67	12
" Spirits,	83	33	166	67
" Pedlars,	13	33	3	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	119	39	237	12

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	1,376	70
" " " " " " 1854,	1,368	72
Increase,	7	98
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	119	39
" " " " 1854,	237	12
Decrease,	117	73
Aver'ge value of land per acre in the Co. for 1855,	1	08
" " " " " " " " 1854,	1	60
Decrease,		52

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
274,734 Acres of land,	492,500			
224,218 " "		368,840		
50,516 increase,			123,660	
184 Town lots,	43,820			
150 " "		36,280		
34 increase,			7,540	
1,784 Negroes,	820,780			
1,439 "		665,620		
345 increase,			155,160	
1,025 Horses,	76,000			
1,115 "		75,080		
90 decrease,			920	
2,826 Cattle,	15,440			
3,365 "		17,460		
539 decrease,				2,020
20 Mon'y len'rs, am't lent,	10,040			
17 " " " "		7,830		
3 increase,			2,210	
26 stores Mdz. on hand,	26,160			
17 " " "		9,160		
9 increase,			17,000	
Miscellaneous Property,	17,160	22,560		5,400
Property out of the Co.				
45,085 Acres of land,	11,073			
62,286 " "		55,590		
17,201 decrease,				14,517
6 Town lots,	550			
4 "		160		
2 increase,			390	
Negroes, "				
Horses, "				
200 Cattle,	1,000			
357 "		1,680		
157 decrease				680
Total,	1,544,523	1,260,260	306,880	22,617

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the county.				
Am't of tax on land,	738	75	553	26
" " Town lots,	65	73	54	42
" " Negroes,	1,231	17	998	43
" " Horses,	114	00	112	62
" " Cattle,	23	16	26	19
" " Money at interest,	20	08	15	66
" " Merchandize,	39	24	13	74
" " Miscela's property,	25	74	33	84
Poll Tax,	404	00	384	00
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on pr'p'rty out of the county,	2,661	87	2,192	16
	63	93	86	15
Total rev'ue from Ad Val. and Poll tax,	2,725	80	2,278	31

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	182	08	116	04
" Spirits,	250	00	200	00
" Pedlars,	20	00	13	34
" Billiards,	116	66	16	66
" Ten Pins,	13	34	26	66
Total rev'ue from License Tax,	582	08	372	70

Amount of Ad Val. and Poll tax for 1855,	2,725	80
" " " " " " 1854,	2,278	31
Increase,	447	49
Amount of license tax for 1855,	582	08
" " " 1854,	372	70
Increase,	209	38
Avr'ge val. of land pr. acre in the County for 1855,	1	79
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	65
Increase,		14

NOTE.—County not organized.

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ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
115,738 acres of Land,	156,700			
100,345 " "		112,933		
15,393 increase,			43,767	
78 Town Lots,	8,460			
75 "		7,540		
3 increase,			920	
125 Negroes,	71,420			
104 "		62,600		
21 increase,			8,820	
643 Horses,	41,560			
610 "		36,000		
33 increase,			5,560	
7,520 Cattle,	51,820			
6,957 "		45,386		
563 increase,			6,434	
18 mon'y len's, am't lent	5,060			
8 " " "		1,720		
10 increase,			3,340	
16 stores, Mdze on hand,	7,900			
6 " "		1,520		
10 increase,			6,380	
Miscellaneous Property,	15,040		15,040	
Pr'p'rty out of the Co.				
16,892 Acres of land,	11,106			
19,747 " "		11,940		
2,855 decrease,				834
Cattle,				
100 "		500		
100 decrease,				500
Total,	369,066	280,139	90,261	1,334

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS.	FOR 1854. DOL'RS	CTS
Ad val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	235	05	169	40
" " Town Lots,	12	69	11	31
" " Negroes,	107	13	93	90
" " Horses,	62	34	54	00
" " Cattle,	77	73	68	08
" " Money at interest,	10	12	3	44
" " Merchandize,	15	80	2	28
" " Miscel's property,	22	56		
Poll Tax,	172	00	162	00
	715	42	564	41
Am. of Ad val. Tax on property out of the County,	16	66	18	66
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	732	08	583	07
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	29	20	33	58
" Spirits,			66	66
" Pedlars,	10	00	13	34
Total revenue from License Tax,	39	20	113	58

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	732	08
" " " 1854,	583	07
Increase,	149	01
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	39	20
" " " 1854,	113	58
Decrease,	74	38
Average value of Land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	36
" " " " " 1854,	1	12
Increase,		24

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECRE'SE
	DOLLARS	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
246,264 Acres of Land,	458,100			
253,340 "		473,020		
7,076 decrease,				14,920
702 Town Lots,	116,560			
714 "		122,600		
12 decrease,				6,040
850 Negroes,	387,560			
881 "		405,800		
31 decrease,				18,240
2,988 Horses,	61,680			
3,100 "		61,760		
112 decrease,				80
28,243 Cattle,	143,000			
27,208 "		137,200		
1,035 increase,			5,800	
2 money lend'rs am't lent,	5,500			
2 " "		31,500		
				26,000
8 Stores, m'dz on hand,	40,000			
8 " "		39,000		
			1,000	
Miscellaneous property,	31,704	34,213		2,509
Property out of the Co.				
268,881 Acres of Land,	167,940			
243,780 "		161,860		
25,101 increase,			6,080	
191 Town Lots,	1,260			
24 "		2,560		
167 increase,				1,300
11 Negroes,	6,080			
10 "		6,900		
1 increase,				820
Horses,				
560		6,700		
560 decrease,				6,700
Cattle,				
440 "		2,146		
440 decrease,				2,146
Total,	1,419,384	1,485,259	12,880	78,755

COUNTY.

REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLS.	FOR 1855. CTS.	FOR 1854. DOLLS.	FOR 1854. CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	687	15	709	53
" " Town Lots,	174	84	183	90
" " Negroes,	581	34	608	70
" " Horses,	92	52	92	64
" " Cattle,	214	50	205	80
" " Money at interest,	11	00	63	00
" " Merchandize,	60	00	58	50
" " Miscellaneous property,	47	57	51	32
Poll Tax,	118	00	136	00
Am't of ad val. tax on property out of the County,	1,986	92	2,109	39
	262	92	270	25
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,	2,249	84	2,379	64

License Tax.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854	
On Merchandize,	230	39	208	22
" Spirits,	75	00	141	66
" Billiards,	58	33	108	33
" Exhibitions,			8	33
Total revenue from license tax,	363	72	466	54

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,249	84
" " " " " 1854,	2,379	64
Decrease,	129	80
Amount of license tax for 1855,	363	72
" " " 1854,	466	54
Decrease,	102	82
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	86
" " " " " " 1854,	1	87
Decrease,		01

ITEMS OF TAXATION	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCRAESE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
226,332 acres of Land,	672,500			
162,243 " "		393,000		
64,089 increase,			279,500	
309 Town Lots,	102,500			
227 "		57,940		
82 increase,			44,560	
2,758 Negroes,	1,316,600			
1,570 "		785,000		
1,188 increase,			531,600	
1,924 Horses,	126,700			
1,298 "		79,700		
626 increase,			47,000	
11,347 Cattle,	66,420			
9,589 "		49,040		
1,785 increase,			17,380	
39 mon'y lend's, am't l'nt	44,240			
29 " " " "		31,400		
10 increase,			12,840	
18 Stores, Mdz. on hand	72,540			
9 " " "		32,000		
9 increase,			40,540	
Miscellaneous Property,	68,873	20,853	48,020	
Property out of the Co.				
165,406 acres of Land,	159,540			
89,980 " "		105,713		
76,426 increase,			53,827	
19 Town Lots,	2,140			
18 " "		1,980		
1 increase,			160	
7 Negroes,	2,380			
7 increase,			2,380	
6 Horses,	300			
6 "		300		
600 Cattle,	4,200			
170 "		860		
430 increase,			3,340	
Total	2,638,933	1,557,786	1,081,147	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS	CTS	DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	1,008	75	589	50
" " " " Town Lots,	153	75	86	91
" " " " Negroes,	1,974	90	1,177	50
" " " " Horses,	190	05	119	55
" " " " Cattle,	99	63	73	56
" " " " Money at interest,	88	48	62	80
" " " " Merchandize,	108	81	48	00
" " " " Mis'la's property,	103	31	31	28
Poll Tax,	224	00	137	00
Amount of Ad Val. tax on property	3,951	68	2,326	10
out of the county,	252	84	163	28
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax,	4,204	52	2,489	38

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	413	15	322	44
" Spirits,			242	86
" Pedlars,	10	00	3	33
" Exhibitions,			25	00
" Ten Pins,	20	00		
" Billiards,	25	00		
Total revenue from License tax,	468	15	593	63

Am't of ad val. and Poll Tax for 1855,	4,204	52
" " " " " " 1854,	2,489	38
Increase,	1,715	14
Am't of License tax for 1855,	468	15
" " " " " 1854,	593	63
Decrease,	125	48
Average value of Land per acre in the county, for 1855,	2	97
" " " " " " " " " 1854,	2	34
Increase,		63

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
304,770 acres of Land,	1,684 ,20			
278,635 " "		1,450,000		
26,135 increase,			234,920	
398 Town Lots,	244,860			
387 " "		192,340		
11 increase,			52,520	
4,399 Negroes,	2,331,440			
3,777 "		2,006,980		
622 increase,			324,460	
4,408 Horses,	247,820			
3,966 "		197,580		
442 increase,			50,240	
22,090 Cattle,	134,620			
17,080 "		87,600		
5,010 increase,			47,020	
77 Money Lend's, am't l't	77,650			
41 " "		28,060		
36 increase,			49,590	
35 Stores, Mdze on hand,	163,820			
39 " " "		159,000		
4 decrease,			4,820	
Miscellaneous Property,	161,706	133,340	28,366	
Property out of the Co.				
686,245 acres of Land,	578,000			
614,382 " "		445,133		
71,863 increase,			132,867	
16 Town Lots,	520			
13 " "		480		
3 increase,			40	
Total,	5,625,356	4,700,513	924,843	

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855. DOLLARS.	CTS	FOR 1854 DOLLARS.	CTS
Ad valorem and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,	2,527	38	2,175	00
" " Town Lots,	367	29	288	51
" " Negroes,	3,497	16	3,010	47
" " Horses,	371	73	296	37
" " Cattle,	201	93	131	40
" " Money at interest,	155	30	56	12
" " Merchandize,	245	73	238	50
" " Miscela's property	242	56	200	01
" Poll Tax,	471	00	459	50
Amount of ad valorem tax on property out of the county,	8,080	08	6,855	88
	867	78	668	42
Total revenue from ad val. and Poll Tax,	8,947	86	7,524	30
License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
NOTE.—No returns received.				
Total revenue from License Tax,				

Amount of Ad Valorem and Poll Tax for 1855,	8,947	86
" " " " " " 1854,	7,524	30
Increase,	1,423	56

Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	5	53
" " " " " " " 1854,	5	20
Increase,		33

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION 1855.	VALUATION 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOL'RS	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.	DOL'RS.
Pr'p'rty in the County.				
Acres of land,				
" "		35,720		
Town lots,				
236 "		43,980		
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
219 "		2,680		
Cattle,				
2,831 "		16,580		
Mon'y ld'rs, am't l'nt,				
" " "				
St'res, mdze on hand,				
" " "				
Miscellan's property,		9,530		
Total,		108,490		

NOTE.—Assessme nt for 1855 not recei

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLS	CTS	DOLLS	CTS
Ad val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of tax on Land,			53	58
" " Town Lots,			65	97
" " Negroes,				
" " Horses,			4	02
" " Cattle,			24	87
" " Money at Interest,				
" " Merchandize,				
" " Miscellaneous Prop'ty,			14	30
Poll Tax,			81	50
			244	24
Amount of Ad val. Tax on Property out of the county,				
Total revenue from ad val. and poll tax,			244	24

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,			247	76
" Spirits,	183	34	166	66
" Pedlars,	16	66	6	66
" Exhibitions,	16	66	8	33
" Billiards,	83	34	83	33
" Restaurats,			10	00
Total revenue from License Tax,	300	00	522	74

Amount of ad val. and poll tax, for 1855,		
" " " 1854,	244	24
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	300	00
" " " 1854,	522	74
Decrease,	222	74
Average val. of land per acre in the county for 1855,		
" " " " 1854,		

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County				
118,897 Acres of Land,	724,940			
104,830 " "		658,340		
14,067 increase,			66,600	
55 Town Lots,	27,080			
114 "		39,800		
59 decrease,				12,720
1,798 Negroes,	986,720			
1,512 "		1,061,640		
286 increase,				74,920
2,179 Horses,	86,120			
2,079 "		76,680		
100 increase,			9,440	
14,977 Cattle,	88,040			
12,254 "		62,500		
2,723 increase,			25,540	
16 mon'y len'rs, am't lent	15,790			
12 " " "		7,300		
4 increase,			8,490	
4 stores, md'ze on hand	24,240			
" " "				
4 increase,			24,240	
Miscellaneous property,	31,453	30,733	720	
Property out of the Co.				
197,078 Acres of Land,	105,020			
203,014 " "		124,480		
5,936 decrease,				19,460
41 Town Lots,	7,836			
25 "		2,175		
16 increase,			5,661	
Negroes,				
"				
Horses,				
Cattle,				
2,600 "		13,000		
2,600 decrease,				13,000
Total,	2,097,239	2,076,648	140,691	120,100

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
	DOLLARS.	CTS.	DOLLARS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Amount of Tax on Land,	1,087	41	987	51
" " Town Lots,	40	62	59	70
" " Negroes,	1,480	08	1,592	46
" " Horses,	129	18	115	02
" " Cattle,	132	06	93	75
" " Money at interest	31	58	14	60
" " Merchandize,	36	36		
" " Miscel's property,	47	18	46	16
Poll Tax,	75	50	58	50
	3,059	97	2,967	70
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	169	28	209	49
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	3,229	25	3,177	19

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	61	13	93	29
" Spirits,	16	67	66	66
" Pedlars,	13	33	6	66
Total revenue from License Tax,	91	13	166	61

Amount of ad val. and Poll Tax, for 1855,	3,229	25
" " " 1854,	3,177	19
Increase,	52	06
Amount of License Tax for 1855,	91	13
" " " 1854,	166	61
Decrease,	75	48
Average val. of land per acre in the county, for 1855,	6	09
" " " " 1854,	6	28
Decrease,		19

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	D'CREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS
Property in the County.				
254,943 Acres of Land,	590,480			
214,429 "		426,340		
40,514 increase,			164,140	
137 Town Lots,	34,960			
123 "		28,660		
14 increase,			6,300	
757 Negroes,	410,400			
563 "		297,880		
194 increase,			112,520	
4,045 Horses,	155,600			
2,991 "		115,780		
1,054 increase,			39,820	
21,832 Cattle,	133,600			
17,467 "		104,860		
4,365 increase,			28,740	
24 mon'y lend's, am't lent	12,760			
7 " " " "		2,740		
17 increase,			10,020	
17 stores, mdze. on hand,	22,040			
1 " " "		640		
16 increase,			21,400	
Miscellaneous Property,	65,340	67,046		1,706
Property out of the Co.				
191,069 Acres of Land,	160,428			
167,085 " " "		128,720		
23,984 increase,			31,708	
45 Town Lots,	1,525			
6 " "		1,480		
39 increase,			45	
Total,	1,587,133	1,174,146	414,693	1,706

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION.	FOR 1855		FOR 1854.	
	DOL'RS.	CTS	DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on property in the County.				
Am't of tax on Land,	885	72	639	51
" " Town Lots,	52	44	42	99
" " Negroes,	615	61	446	82
" " Horses,	233	40	173	67
" " Cattle,	200	40	157	29
" " Money at interest,	25	52	5	48
" " Merchandize,	33	06		96
" " Miscellan's property,	98	01	100	57
Poll Tax,	289	00	235	50
Am't of Ad Val. Tax on property out of the County,	2,433	16	1,802	79
	242	93	195	30
Total rev'ue from ad val. and poll tax,	2,676	09	1,998	09

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	89	68	108	83
" Spirits,	100	00	16	66
" Pedlars,	23	33	15	00
" Exhibitions,	8	33		
Total revenue from license tax,	221	34	140	49

Amount of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	2,676	09
" " " " " 1854,	1,998	09
Increase,	678	00
Amount of license tax for 1855,	221	34
" " " 1854,	140	49
Increase,	80	85
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	2	32
" " " " " " " 1854,	1	99
Increase,		33

ITEMS OF TAXATION.	VALUATION. 1855.	VALUATION. 1854.	INCREASE.	DECREASE
	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.
Property in the County.				
117,509 acres of Land,	231,540			
108,767 " "		155,200		
8,742 increase,			76,340	
179 Town Lots,	12,220			
176 " "		10,840		
3 increase,			1,380	
354 Negroes,	178,940			
289 "		149,060		
65 increase,			29,880	
537 Horses,	32,640			
415 "		24,500		
122 increase,			8,140	
4,069 Cattle,	30,220			
3,001 "		21,160		
1,068 decrease,			9,060	
6 mon'y lend's, am't l't,	1,050			
8 " " " "		2,190		
2 decrease,				1,140
8 Stores, Mdze on hand,	7,140			
" " "				
8 increase,			7,140	
Miscellaneous Property,	7,893	6,920	973	
Property out of the Co.				
17,775 acres of Land,	22,173			
14,954 " "		15,846		
2,821 increase,			6,327	
2 Town Lots,	45			
6 " "		1,040		
4 decrease,				995
Total,	523,861	386,756	139,240	2,135

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REVENUE ON ITEMS OF TAXATION	FOR 1855. DOL'RS.	CTS	FOR 1854. DOL'RS.	CTS.
Ad Val. and Poll Tax on Property in the County.				
Am't of tax on land,	347	31	232	80
" " Town lots,	18	33	16	26
" " Negroes,	268	41	223	59
" " Horses,	48	96	36	75
" " Cattle,	45	33	31	74
" " Money at interest,	2	10	4	38
" " Merchandize,	14	28		
" " Mis'laneous property,	11	84	10	38
Poll tax,	173	00	145	50
	929	56	701	40
Amount of Ad Val. Tax on Property out of the County,	33	33	25	33
Total rev'nue from ad val. and poll tax	962	89	726	73

License Tax.	FOR 1855.		FOR 1854.	
On Merchandize,	15	18	32	34
" Pedlars,	3	33		
" Spirits,	108	32	83	33
" Ten Pins,			13	33
Total revenue from License Tax,	126	83	129	00

Am't of ad val. and poll tax for 1855,	962	89
" " " " " " 1854,	726	73
Increase,	236	16
Am't of License tax for 1855,	126	83
" " " " " 1854,	129	00
Decrease,	2	17
Average value of land per acre in the county for 1855,	1	97
" " " " " " " " " " 1854,	1	43
Increase,		54

RECAPIT

COUNTY.	TOTAL VALUATION FOR 1855. Dollars.	TOTAL VALUATION FOR 1854. Dollars.
Anderson	2,302,413	1,690,040
Angelina	362,912	348,242
Austin	2,997,424	2,570,320
Bastrop	2,798,396	2,585,542
Bell	995,701	729,344
Bexar	5,344,390	4,280,646
Bowie	1,296,853	1,286,163
Brazoria	5,222,882	4,789,960
Brazos	645,206	590,442
Burleson	1,574,031	1,440,439
Burnet	418,599	223,412
Bosque	76,053	
Caldwell	1,957,126	1,651,753
Calhoun	1,125,219	1,024,812
Cameron	1,084,493	1,015,852
Cass	3,082,739	2,180,406
Cherokee	2,056,859	1,717,312
Collin	1,375,836	1,051,033
Colorado	2,048,053	1,899,526
Comal	755,146	566,506
Cooke	313,266	163,702
Corryell	290,306	82,280
Dallas	1,777,636	1,125,709
Denton	442,486	198,070
DeWitt	1,556,706	1,172,363
Ellis	950,326	662,726
ElPaso		159,453
Falls	1,092,965	761,732
Fannin	1,390,706	1,245,191
Fayette	3,220,564	2,735,275
Fort Bend	2,035,863	1,978,752
Freestone	2,171,890	1,653,486
Galveston		4,293,376
Gillespie	331,176	234,396
Goliad	713,612	597,707
Gonzales	3,296,782	2,582,847
Grayson	1,414,986	1,079,819
Grimes	2,953,959	2,797,706
Guadalupe	2,702,080	2,174,490

ULATION.

TOTAL AD VAL. AND POLL TAX FOR 1855.		TOTAL AD VAL. AND POLL TAX FOR 1854.		TOTAL LICENSE TAX FOR 1855.		TOTAL LICENSE TAX FOR 1854.	
Dollars.	Cts.	Dollars.	Cts	Dollars.	Cts	Dollars	Cts
3,777	65	2,838	84	441	09	448	96
653	38	633	03	127	93	44	59
4,879	67	4,212	26	113	60	284	80
4,490	00	4,160	87	424	30	376	66
1,683	76	1,292	80	99	93	343	19
8,651	08	6,938	09				
2,063	90	2,048	69	103	09	189	79
8,018	76	7,331	52	217	12	461	44
1,041	07	956	58	108	21	60	71
2,556	31	2,347	63	99	30	156	54
765	97	428	32	30	72	130	03
143	12						
3,190	51	2,702	93	251	48	397	37
1,820	56	1,652	99	1,782	31	2,000	26
2,045	74	1,902	78	1,481	15	1,451	05
5,046	84	3,612	36	432	90	663	74
3,632	02	3,050	70	420	78	330	36
2,426	88	1,957	86	79	06	335	92
3,285	52	3.062	06	195	66	365	85
1,429	61	1,133	10	510	74	479	45
624	53	335	01	42	46	75	64
547	50	168	42	68	02		
3,055	51	1,955	36	340	44		
879	57	427	96	75	01	109	54
2,535	92	1,901	12	137	86	42	93
1,601	43	1,138	34	46	36	37	68
		391	68	228	15	82	64
1,792	80	1,260	26	100	52	201	37
2,460	33	2,229	08	178	78	313	25
5,243	34	4,535	81	363	16	818	43
3,212	48	3,109	78	73	35	130	00
3,522	78	2,686	12	206	89	305	52
		6,819	81			2,585	93
732	24	546	61	189	07	245	55
1,213	55	1,027	62			325	51
5,262	25	4,072	11	454	06	477	18
2,498	05	1,874	97	362	86	234	46
4,648	84	4,398	90	303	49	464	27
4,356	91	3,544	44	218	83	425	33

RECAPITUL

COUNTY.	TOTAL VALUATION FOR 1855.	TOTAL VALUATION FOR 1854
	Dollars	Dollars
Harris		2,922,939
Harrison	6,033,646	5,480,899
Hays	651,166	426,683
Henderson	497,898	425,146
Hidalgo		212,226
Hill	381,660	197,539
Hopkins	697,153	633,033
Houston	1,871,104	1,549,026
Hunt	706,017	437,643
Jackson	1,250,006	1,196,043
Jasper	909,774	802,426
Jefferson	567,320	544,846
Johnson	228,694	35,208
Karnes		
Kaufman	606,423	485,320
Kinney		
Lamar	1,527,367	1,456,946
Lavaca	1,169,296	1,018,139
Leon	1,657,842	1,410,172
Liberty	1,313,555	1,282,786
Limestone	1,134,086	901,575
McLennan	1,440,459	1,035,446
Madison	628,596	547,693
Matagorda	2,020,453	2,419,631
Medina	267,682	223,193
Milam	1,137,539	1,015,546
Montgomery	1,551,871	1,332,732
Nacogdoches	2,770,392	2,618,500
Navarro	1,941,736	1,470,259
Newton	614,056	573,686
Nueces	734,399	643,706
Orange		291,176
Panola	1,835,112	1,610,014
Polk	1,354,106	1,853,831
Presidio		
Red River	2,114,603	1,914,146
Refugio	592,954	442,753
Robertson	1,462,296	1,339,712
Rusk	4,089,872	4,061,622

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TOTAL AD VAL AND POLL TAX FOR 1855		TOTAL AD VAL. AND POLL TAX FOR 1854.		TOTAL LICENSE TAX FOR 1855.		TOTAL LICENSE TAX FOR 1854.	
Dollars	Cts	Dollars.	Cts	Dollars.	Cts	Dollars.	Cts
		4,635	97	2,245	92		
9,530	03	8,611	60	177	60	653	20
1,056	57	718	72	64	07	103	28
912	50	798	81	40	09	103	64
		415	84				
685	69	369	81	3	33	31	66
1,374	46	1,262	42	40	46	258	66
3,063	23	2,556	74	229	79	367	56
1,305	83	852	55			176	70
1.961	81	1,866	64	148	00	150	14
1,472	64	1,323	06	179	12	147	75
923	90	887	69	70	88	228	48
446	40	75	31				
				103	72		
6,071	14	868	05	83	82	122	43
2,632	00	2,455	97	4	04	167	60
1,973	55	1,741	50	114	34	158	39
2,788	82	2,369	30	26	66	442	86
2,124	22	2,056	47	157	66	286	97
1,905	93	1,517	98	141	50	139	24
2,343	01	1,700	51			16	18
1,055	90	926	95	92	05	140	50
3,121	23	3,732	46	180	14	498	79
440	03	372	79	180	39	180	56
1,844	31	1,658	12	165	93	306	64
2,449	71	2,121	70	142	37	332	33
4,618	30	4,352	16	406	85	703	47
3,191	75	2,457	09	108	12	190	80
1,042	10	975	89	103	18	45	87
1,253	60	1,088	06	526	98	680	51
		496	80			132	99
3,102	82	2,730	38	13	33	404	73
2,163	88	2,915	99	139	11	248	79
3,397	02	3,063	75	146	15	134	14
957	43	716	13				
2,357	54	2,166	97	138	89	140	14
6,800	40	6,852	49	294	07	1,572	04

RECAPITUL

COUNTY.	TOTAL VALUATION FOR 1855	TOTAL VALUATION FOR 1854.
	Dollars.	Dollars.
Sabine	625,399	669,213
San Augustine	1,838,626	2,049,190
San Patricio	295,439	229,569
Shelby	1,026,929	1,109,946
Smith	2,522,300	1,807,813
Starr		
Tarrant	656,833	247,080
Titus	1,281,932	973,393
Travis	4,299,916	3,311,932
Trinity	278,983	146,836
Tyler	794,453	790,032
Upshur	1,544,523	1,260,260
Uvalde		
Van Zandt	369,066	280,139
Victoria	1,419,384	1,485,259
Walker	2,638,933	1,557,786
Washington	5,625,356	4,700,513
Webb		108,490
Wharton	2,097,239	2,076,648
Williamson	1,587,133	1,174,146
Wood	523,861	386,756
	139,361,078	126,525,572
Estimated amount in counties from which rolls and returns have not been received.	10,160,373	456,045
Total.	149,521,451	126,981,617

ATION.—Continued.

TOTAL AD VAL. AND POLL TAX FOR 1855.		TOTAL AD VAL AND POLL TAX FOR 1854.		TOTAL LICENSE TAX FOR 1855.		TOTAL LICENSE TAX FOR 1854.	
Dollars	Cts	Dollars.	Cts	Dollars.	Cts	Dollars.	Cts
1,027	40	1,094	10	105	80	130	00
2,903	97	3,242	35	439	04	453	01
478	26	371	29	58	21		
1,750	88	1,894	30	97	66	144	12
4,359	92	3,217	39	549	41	464	01
1,283	16	500	03	105	33	43	68
2,260	03	1,765	18	82	74	382	78
6,805	41	5,201	99				
513	35	269	42	43	33	16	66
1,376	70	1,368	72	119	39	237	12
2,725	80	2,278	31	582	08	372	70
732	08	583	07	39	20	113	58
2,249	84	2,379	64	363	72	466	54
4,204	52	2,489	38	468	15	593	63
8,947	86	7,524	30				
		244	24	300	00	522	74
3,229	25	3,177	19	91	13	166	61
2,676	09	1,998	09	221	34	140	49
962	89	726	73	126	83	129	00
229,645	54	208,725	20	20,570	60	29,039	65
16,607	36	756	26	7,000	00	8,000	00
246,252	90	209,481	46	27,570	60	37,039	63

TOTAL RECAPITULATION OF AD VALOREM

	Land.		Town Lots.	
	ACRES.	VALUE.	NO.	VALUE,
Property assessed for 1855, as per assessment rolls receivd	37,930,463	55,090,716	28,225	6,817,072
The assessment rolls for 1855, from the co'nties of El Paso, Galveston, Harris, Hidalgo, Karnes, Orange, Starr and Webb not receiv'd but estimated at,	7,963,406	3,580,410	11,911	3,291,266
Making the tot'l am't of propty ass'd this year, with the tax thereon . . .	45,893,869	58,671,126	40,136	10,108,338

TOTAL RECAPITULATION OF AD VALOREM

Propty ass'd for 1854, as pr ass't r'lls rec'd	43,120,568	49,692,392	35,827	8,505,402
The ass't roll of Starr Co. for 1854 not rec'd but entrd the same as last ass't	1,460,378	268,785	280	80,640
Making the tot'l am't of property ass'ss'd this year, with the tax thereon . .	44,580,946	49,961,177	36,107	8,586,042
Total increase of 1855 over 1854 . .	1,312,923	8,709,949	4,029	1,522,296

AND POLL TAX, VERIFIED FOR 1855.

Negroes.		Horses.		Cattle.	
NO.	VALUE.	NO.	VALUE.	NO.	VALUE.
103,297	52,167,838	166,598	7,803,588	1,363,688	8,559,895
2,306	1,206,086	5,216	140,290	80,107	432,650
105,603	53,373,924	171,814	7,943,878	1,443,795	8,992,545

AND POLL TAX, VERIFIED FOR 1854.

90,611	46,501,340	143,955	6,401,298	1,232,187	7,048,647
1	500	640	5,460	1,690	10,400
90,612	46,501,840	145,595	6,406,758	1,233,877	7,059,047
14,991	6,872,084	27,219	1,537,120	20,918	1,933,498

TOTAL RECAPITULATION OF AD VALOREM

	MONEY LENDERS.		STORES: Merchandise on Hand.	
	No.	LOANS.	No.	VALUE.
Property assessed for 1855, as per assessment rolls receiv'd	1,779	1,350,127	1,222	3,730,490
The assessment rolls for 1855, from the co'nties of El Paso, Galveston, Harris, Hidalgo, Karnes, Orange, Starr and Webb not receiv'd but estimated at,	55	169,272	152	907,357
Making the tot'l am't of property ass'ss'd this year, with the tax thereon . .	1,834	1,519,399	1,37 4	4,637,847

TOTAL RECAPITULATION OF AD VALOREM

Propty ass'd for 1854, as pr ass't r'lls rec'd	1,219	996,975	1,104	3,731,112
The ass't roll of Starr Co. for 1854, not rec'd but entrd the same as last ass't	1	400	13	85,180
Making the tot'l am't of property ass'ss'd this year, with the tax thereon . .	1,220	99775	1,117	3,816,292
Total increase of 1855 over 1854 . .	614	522,024	257	821,555

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Austin, Nov. 28th, 1855.

AND POLL TAX, VERIFIED FOR 1855.—Continued.

MISCELANE'US PROPEPTY.	TOTAL VALUE.	AD VALOREM TAX.		POLL TAX.		TOTAL AD VAL AND POLL TAX.	
Value.	Dollars.	Dollars.	Cts.	Dollars.	Cts.		
3,841,352	139,361,078	2,09916	04	19,729	50	229,645	54
433,042	10,160,375	15,354	36	12,352	00	16,607	36
4,274,394	149,521,451	225,270	40	20,982	50	246,252	90

AND POLL TAX, VERIFIED FOR 1854.—Continued.

3,648,406	126,525,562	190,459	20	18,266	00	208,725	20
4,680	456,045	684	26	72	00	756	26
3,653,086	126,981,617	191,143	46	18,338	00	209,481	46
621,308	22,539,834	34,126	94	2,644	50	36,771	44

JAMES B. SHAW, Comptroller.

RECAPITULATION OF LICENSE TAX, Verified for 1854 & 1855.

	FOR 1854.		FOR 1855	
	Dollars.	Cts.	Dollars.	Cts
Amount of Tax on Merchandize,	13,023	13	12,091	37
" " " Spirits,	12,390	51	4,543	64
" " " Pedlars,	641	36	1,009	83
" " " Billiard tables,	1,957	29	1,723	25
" " " Exhibitions,	241	21	350	63
" " " Ten Pins,	268	26	233	33
" " " Auctioneers,	227	06	291	64
" " " Comm. merchants,	225	00	156	66
" " " Restaurats,	57	50	170	25
" " " Race tracks,	8	33		
Total amount of returns received,	29,039	65	20,570	60
Estimated am't of returns not received,	8,000	00	7,000	00
Total,	37,039	65	27,570	60

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Austin, November 28th, 1855.

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

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[Copy of instructions from the Comptroller to the Commissioner appointed to examine the Canal connecting the waters of the Brazos River with those of Galveston Bay.]

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
AUSTIN, Sept. 19, 1855,

TIPTON WALKER, ESQ., Galveston,

SIR—I have been advised by a Committee of the Directors of the *Galveston* and *Brazos Navigation Company*, that the Canal contemplated by An Act of the Legislature, Approved February 8, 1850, Chap. 113, has been completed from San Luis, or West Galveston Bay to the Brazos River, and is in actual use and sufficient for the purposes for which it is intended by the Act of incorporation, and requesting the appointment of a Commissioner for the purpose of examining and inspecting said work, with the view of obtaining the Land Scrip to which the Company is entitled by An Act, Approved February 11, 1854, Chapter 79.

In order that the Company may receive the benefits of the Act last mentioned, the *Governor*, from his knowledge of your qualifications, has selected you as a competent person as *Commissioner* to inspect said work, and I herewith enclose you a corresponding commission.

Should you be pleased to accept of this trust you will report to the Board of Directors and proceed to the discharge of the duties thus conferred as soon as practicable.

You will see that the work has been done in the manner contemplated by the Act incorporating the Company, so as to entitle them to the grant of land provided for in the Act of February, 1854.

After completing your examination, you will report fully the result to this office, stating the length of the Canal through the Bay and through the main land; the character of the excavation in the Bay and in the main land; the depth of water at high tide, ordinary tide, and at low tide,—both in the Bay and in the main land, and such other information as may occur to you as likely to show the capabilities of the work for the purposes of Navigation.

Your compensation and expenses will be borne by the Company, the amount to be arranged between yourself and the Board of Directors.

I am, with high Respect,
Your Obd't Ser'vt,
JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER.

GALVESTON, TEXAS,
October 31st, 1855.

HON. JAMES B. SHAW, *Comptroller of Public Accounts:*

SIR—I have the honor to submit the following report of my examination and inspection of the Canal between San Luis Bay and the Brazos River, made in compliance with the instructions contained in your letter of the 19th ultimo—finding the Canal to be in actual use. Previous to making any examination in detail, I availed myself of an opportunity to go through it on board the steamboat, "Major Harris," which left this city on the morning of the 19th inst., and reached the Brazos River on the afternoon of the same day, without meeting any obstruction or impediment whatever, having no where on the route a less depth of water than four and a half feet in the Bay, and from five to six feet in the Canal.

On my return in a small sail boat I sounded all the way carefully, with the same results, although it was low water when I left the mouth of the river. These soundings indicate a greater depth than usual, owing to the fact, that the easterly winds which was then and had been prevailing for several days previous, had raised the tide in San Luis Bay considerably above its ordinary stage. In this state of affairs I deemed it proper to suspend operations, and await the return of the Bay to its normal condition before concluding my examination.

On my second trip (made after a heavy "Norther" had reduced the tide at this city to a very low stage) I found at Deer Islands but two and one quarter feet in the best water; at Caranchua, four feet; in San Luis Bay, from two and a half to three feet, and in the Canal, three feet, except near "Drum Point," where, for three or four hundred yards, there was but wo feet.

That portion of the Canal in the Bay consists of several sections or "cuts" through such bars and shoals as originally obstructed the channels and their length in the aggregate, is about four miles. This I can only state approximately, as it was impossible to measure them with any degree of accuracy, portions of the work being entirely under water.

The Canal through the main land consists of four sections, viz: from San Luis Bay to Oyster Creek, one and five-eighth miles; down Oyster Creek, one mile, thence through the main land one mile to East Union Bayou, and down said Bayou about three-fourths of a mile to its confluence with the Brazos River. The whole of this distance cut through a tenacious

The banks are very firm and covered with vegetation sufficient to protect them from danger of washing in.

The depths of the cuts in the Bay, and in the main land may be stated as follows:

In the Bay at high tide, . . .	4 1-2 feet.
" " " " ordn'ry " . . .	3 3-4 "
" " " " low " . . .	3 "
" " main land, at high tide, . .	5 "
" " " " ordn'ry " . .	4 1-4 "
" " " " low " . .	3 1-2 "

This is about what the average condition of the tide would give when uninfluenced by the wind. At times during the prevalence of heavy Easterly winds it would be safe to say that all of the above depths would be increased two feet—indeed, I saw evidences to that effect on the stakes and channel marks through the Bay. During long and severe Northers or a continuance of South-Westerly winds (which reduce the tide of San Luis Bay much more than Northers) the depth of water will not exceed two feet, and then navigation will be obstructed.

The Acts of February 8th, 1850, and February 11th, 1854, to which you call my attention, seem to have but two requirements, viz: that the work shall be adapted to the purposes for which it was intended, and that it shall be completed in a good and substantial manner. The first conditon is, I think fully complied with, as the "Major Harris" has for a year past been running through the Canal as a packet between this city and Columbia, on the Brazos River, with very fair success; during this time several other steamboats and sail vessels have passed through without difficulty, and the Canal has been by public notice from the Directors declared open for stern-wheel steamers and sail barges.

As to the character of the work, I have to say, that portion of it through the main land is equal to any, and will compare favorably with anything of the kind in the United States; that in the Bay is not so good, for the reason that it is too narrow and crooked, and that no arrangements to permit meeting boats to pass each other have been made. Another objection is to the character of the embankments in the bay, which are composed of soft mud and shells taken from the bottom.—Wherever they have been thrown entirely above water, the sun has baked them into a species of concrete, firm enough to resist the action of the sea and the wheels of steamers, showing that the work in the Bay can be made equal to that through the main land; but wherever the embankments are submerged, or

unless soon prevented, will sweep them back to their original condition. A short portion only of the work is in this State, (say half a mile) and the Directors I learn are now making preparations to repair this section and to remedy the other evils I have mentioned.

You desire me to state my opinion with regard to the capabilities of the work for the purposes of navigation; this I could only do with confidence after a careful examination, extending over a much longer period than is practicable to devote to it. My present impression is, that the Canal affords better water than the Bay itself, and that if a class of boats can be built, (which experienced boatmen assure me to be the fact) not to draw when laden over two and a half feet, the time will rarely occur when one cannot pass through the entire work without difficulty.

Having now replied to all your interrogatories, I would most respectfully beg leave to offer the following suggestions: that in my opinion the further expenditure of twenty thousand dollars, properly applied, would render this work equal to any inland navigation in Texas, so far as depth of water is concerned, and that when the improvements now contemplated by the Directors are made and the water through the "cuts" in the Bay confined within proper embankments, the tendency will be to improve the depth by the action of the currents on the soft muddy bottom. During the whole period of my stay a current with the velocity of about three miles per hour was running in one or the other direction.

In view of the benefits already experienced from the work to so large a section of country, I think it well deserves to be placed on the same footing with Railroads and other works of public improvement, as a recipient of State aid and patronage. Estimating the crop of Brazoria and the adjacent counties to be about what has heretofore been shipped from the mouth of the River. it is easy to see that near $50,000 may annually be saved by means of the Canal, that sum being about the difference of freights and insurance alone in favor of the Canal, over the outside route in getting this crop to market, and to say nothing of return freights consisting of supplies, &c., all of which saving will inure directly to the benefit of the planting interests of those counties.

In conclusion, I beg leave to say that I have presented a plain statement of facts from which you can judge for yourself as to the merits of the work. I hope the objections I have felt it my duty to make, are not of such a character as to preclude the

Canal from receiving the benefits of the Act of 1854. I have no copy of the Act of February, 11th, 1854, and consequently partially so, they are very soft and yielding; the consequence is, that the water from each side has cut sluices through, and reddish clay that seems to underlay the whole coast of Texas, and crops out between San Luis and the Brazos.
do not know precisely what action is required of me other than pointed out in your letter. If the matter rested entirely with me, I am inclined to the opinion that I would pass over the objections, (which I have no doubt will soon be removed) and that I would accept the work.

With high regard I remain,
Your Obedient Servant,
TIPTON WALKER.

JAMES B. SHAW,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, *Austin, Nov. 8th*, 1855.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT,
ACCOMPANYING GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE,
AND OTHER DOCUMENTS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 9th, 1855.

Gentlemen of the Senate
and House of Representatives:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the biennial reports of the Commissioner of the General Land Office and Secretary of State, of the transactions of their respective offices for the past two years.

These reports contain many valuable suggestions and recommendations, which are commended to your consideration.

E. M. PEASE.

REPORT.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,
AUSTIN, Nov. 1st, 1855.

To his Excellency, E. M. Pease, Governor, and to the Hon. Senate and House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit to your consideration a report of the situation and transactions of this Department for the last two years.

The following statement shows the extent and condition of the Public Domain of the State, together with the amount and character of all claims aginst the same, as appears by the records of this office, both liquidated and unliquidated.

	ACRES.	
Total area of the State,		175,591,560
Titled by the authorities of Spain and Mexico,	22,584,484	
Grants confirmed by act of the 10th of February, 1852, (estimated at)	3,741,241	
Claims originating under the Republic and State of Texas,	44,834,686	
Making an aggregate of claims liquidated and unliquidated,		71,160,411
Leaving to the State after deducting every claim known to exist, a domain of		104,434,149

The amount here reported as "Titled by the authorities of

Spain and Mexico," is much less than estimated by former reports of this office. Grants to the amount of 2,932,907 acres having been set aside and declared paid by the courts,

Of the grants mentioned above, "confirmed by act of tne 10th of February, 1852," there have been surveyed and returned to this office as required by said act, 1,376,629 acres.

Leaving yet outstanding, 2,364,612 acres.

The following classification shows the character of claims enumerated above, as "Claims originating under the Republic and State of Texas."

	ACRES.	
1st Class recommended,	19,075,819	
" " confirmed by the courts,	2,538,398	
" " countersigned under act of February 9th, 1850,	198,701	21,812,918
2nd Class recommended,	1,325,567	
3rd " reported,	7,129,376	
" " confirmed,	102,080	8,557,023
Issued under special acts,	986,622	
Bounty and Donation Lands,	5,279,363	
Land Scrip,	1,438,102	7,704,087
Fisher and Miller's colony,	1,735,200	
Mercer's colony,	691,840	
Castro's "	299,846	
Peters' " (to colonists,)	872,920	
" " (to company,)	1,088,000	
Granted under act 5th February, 1840, to establish "central national road,"	27,116	4,714,922
University Lands, (50 leagues,)	221,400	
School Lands, (99 counties, 4 leagues each,)	1,700,352	
Special grants to seminaries of learning,	123,984	2,045,736

The following exhibits the condition of the above mentioned claims:

	PATENTED	NOT PATENTED	OUT STANDING
1st Class, including 478,100 acres granted under special acts, school lands, and lands granted to seminaries of l'ng,	17,008,064	4,650,719	2,456,571
2nd and 3rd class, including 508,522 acres, granted under special acts, and Fisher and Miller's, Castro's, Mercer's, and Peters' Colonies,	7,079,491	4,323,120	2,377,856
Bounty and Donation,	3,413,039	1,002,841	863,483
Land Scrip,	800,110	274,793	363,199
University Lands,		199,115	22,285
By transferring from column of "patented" to "outstanding," the amount of patents cancelled under act of February, '54, we have,	28,300,704	10,450,588	6,083,394
	51,629		51,629
Total,	28,249,075	10,450,588	6,135,023

RECAPITULATION.	ACRES.
Returned and Patented,	28,249,075
" " not Patented,	10,450,588
Outstanding,	6,135,023
Aggregate,	44,834,686

The following shows the liabilities for land, since the first of November, 1853:

	ACRES.
Amount granted by "an act" for the relief of certain persons therein named—"approved Feb. 13th, '54"	257,880
Amount scrip issued by Commissioner General Land office, nnder an act to encourage the building of steamboats, steamships, and other vessels,	4,160
Headrights confirmed by District Courts.	108,509
" . countersigned underact of Feb. 9th, 1850,	56,028
" issued by County Courts,	230,060
" " " District Courts to colonists of Mercer's Colony,	60,160
Headrights issued by County Courts to Colonists of Peters' colony,	55,360
Headrights issued by commissioner Castro's Colony,	95,680
" " " " Fisher and Miller's Colony.	329,280
Pre-emption Claims reported by clerks of county courts	175,931
	1,373,048

Our figures show the liabilities for land granted to seminaries, and the out-standing balance of university land, greater than heretofore reported. This is owing to errors found to exist in our last biennial report.

There have been made within the last two years 7,107 patents, being an increase of 2,496, over the issue of the preceeding two years, notwithstanding the rapid increase of business, the disadvantages of a crowded office, and the great amount of miscellaneous work, of which no report can be made.

Under the appropriation made for the purchase of blank land patents at the last session of the Legislature, I entered into a contract with Mr. F. T. Duffau, of this city, for the delivery of 25,000 at this office. Owing to the scarcity of parchment in the United States, the full number contracted for has not yet been received; supplies, however, have been ordered from Europe, and the full number contracted for will soon be received. The most of those received, are of a superior quality, and prepared with much taste, and upon an entirely new and somewhat different plate from the one heretofore used.

The following statement shows the number received, and the balance on hand.

Number of blank patents on hand Nov. 1st, 1853,	3,762	
" " " " purchased and receiv'd since Nov. 1st, 1853,	14,531	18,293
From which deduct patents issued since Nov. 1st, 1853,	7,107	
From which deduct patents cancelled or spoiled in making,	428	
From which deduct patents on hand and unfit for use,	458	7,993
Balance remaining on hand and fit for use,		10,300

The following is a statement of monies received and paid into the Treasury since our last report.

	PRO NOTES	SPECIE
On account of Patent fees,	1,365 00	7,100 03
" " " Government dues,	601 49	3,128 60
" " " Pre-emption Claims,		3,340 00
" " " Lands Patented under 4th section of Act of Feb. 1st, 1854.		9 00
On account of Office fees,		2,819 43
Total,	$1,966 49	16,597 06

It may be necessary here to state that the above amount is not all that has been earned, there being now in the office a large number of patents that have not been called for, besides many translations, copies, maps &c., amounting to several thousand dollars; also a considerable amount due for the last mentioned character of work, written for, and sent to the applicants, who have not yet remitted the fees.

For want of sufficient office room, the full number of additional clerks granted by the last Legislature, were not employed.

The building now occupied, is much too small to accomodate the number of employees necessary to transact the multiplicity of business now before the Department, and which is daily being presented; and for the proper keeping of the archives, which, from being too much crowded become mutilated, and without additional room, must in the rapid accumulation, become more so.

I deem it necessary that I should particularly lay before you the present condition of the draftsman's Department, which is a very important one in the examination of and preparing surveys for patenting. The old maps are in a very bad state, and

the insufficient number of Draftsmen have prevented their being renewed in proper time. A great number of them are entirely useless—their incorrectness makes it dangerous to pass up surveys for patenting, as sketches furnished by many of the District Surveyors change the whole features of the same, and with the most scrutinizing accuracy, it is sometimes impossible to avoid errors.

These facts show the necessity of having those maps renewed in as short a time as possible. They have to be compiled from actual data in the office, which is a very tedious and troublesome business, and one that progresses but slowly: the less so as the data is but scanty, and in many cases contradictory.

Many surveyors in Mexican times, done their work superficially—running their surveys with chains that did not have the legal, constitutional length, and in many cases did not use the chain at all, but merely making the corners on the ground at a rough guess, but nevertheless calling in their field notes for certain measures, which of course do not agree with those on the ground. The same irregularities happened afterwards, besides the difficulty of taking proper connections to those old surveys, which from time had been forgotten, their corners destroyed, and which could not be re-established.

The connections that were taken are in most instances wrong, and disagree with each other to such a degree, that in some cases, we received from different surveyors as many as six certified sketches of the same survey, that did not have a feature in common. All of these difficulties make the compiling of maps a very tedious and slow business, requiring much care and reflection.

We have now ninety-nine counties, besides the mammoth border counties, which have domain enough to make nearly as many more of the constitutional size. It will take the entire time of one experienced and diligent Draftsman one month to complete one map, and in many cases it will require twice that time and even more. Nine maps compiled by one Draftsman in the course of one year is as much as can be done. It will therefore be seen that the compilation of the maps of the existing counties, will occupy eleven years time of one experienced Draftsman. The crowded state of that Department is such, that proper care cannot be taken of the maps and records, nor can the gentlemen attached to it do justice to the State or to themselves in the compilation of maps in a small room, frequently crowded by persons on business, interrupting them in their drawings and mathematical calculations.

Two of the additional Draftsmen employed in accordance

with an act of the last Legislature, approved 26th Dec., 1853, and who were to be discharged at the expiration of one year from the adjournment of the Legislature, have been retained; the Commissioner finding it necessary to do so, being fully convinced, that to discharge them the progress of much important business would be greatly retarded. The appropriation made for the payment of their services has been exhausted several months, since which time, they have not received one dollar. I therefore most respectfully ask that an appropriation be made for the payment of their services.

From reliable information, recently received there can be no doubt of false reports of the issuance of certificates having been made to this office, by a former county clerk of San Augustine county, under the proper seal of his office, purporting them to have been issued by the county court, when the court had not taken any action whatever upon them, and from a letter recently received at this Department from the present clerk of the county court of said county, it appears that the records and registers of certificates issued in that county, had been—previous to his entering upon the discharge of his official duties—either abstracted or destroyed, putting it entirely out of his power to furnish this Department with a list of all certificates issued by the county court for the last two or three years, thereby placing this office completely in the dark, as to which are genuine or which are spurious, when presented with surveys for patenting. The present Clerk of the District Court of San Augustine county, furnished this Department a short time since, with a list containing fourteen headright certifices for one league and labor of land each; all of which had been rejected by the investigating Board of land Commissioners appointed by the Congress of the late Republic of Texas, to detect fraudulent land certificates, and to provide for issuing patents to legal claimants. After the action of said investigating Board, the parties holding the certificates, petitioned the District Court of San Augustine county, in accordance with the first section of the supplementary act to detect fraudulent land certificates, &c., approved 4th February, 1841, to have said certificates confirmed as genuine, but upon a fair and impartial investigation by the Court, they were again rejected, and the parties to whom the certificates originally issued, were declared not entitled to the land.

At several subsequent times, however, a former clerk of said District Court reported to this department under the proper seal of his office, that all of said certificates had been confirmed

by the Court as genuine claims against the government, by which false report the government would have been defrauded out of 64,470 acres of land, had it not been for the vigilance and scrutiny of the present very efficient and gentlemanly clerk, B. F. Benton, Esq., to whom I feel under obligations for ferreting out and furnishing this department with the information.

Upon these false reports, having every appearance of genuineness—most of these certificates fell into the hands of innocent purchasers, who had them located, and surveys made by virtue of them, and several of them returned to this office for patents; fortunately, however, not more than 10,000 acres had been patented previous to the fraud being made known.

From recent occurrences, I am authorized in fearing that like frauds have been and are being perpetrated; therefore, I would most respectfully suggest to your Honorable bodies, the propriety of not again vesting in the county courts authority to issue certificates of any kind after the first day of February, next, at which time their functions to issue certificates cease, in accordance with the provisions of an act of the last Legislature, authorizing the county courts to issue unconditional certificates, &c., passed 4th Feb. 1854.

At this late period there cannot be many individuals entitled to headrights, as more than fourteen years have elapsed since the passage of the last Act of the Congress of the late Republic, granting lands to emigrants, and most of those who are entitled are the heirs of, and legal representatives of deceased persons. In order then that those who are entitled may receive their certificates, I would further suggest that the executive be authorized to appoint a commissioner, whose duty it shall be to reside at the seat of Government, vested with authority to issue certificates of every kind to those justly entitled under existing laws, or such other as your honorable bodies may deem expedient to create; requiring said commissioner to report monthly under the seal of his office, to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, all certificates issued by him; giving in such reports, a full description of the same, by number, date, quantity of land granted, with full names of witnesses proving the parties to be entitled, and their places of residence.

The appointment of such an officer is more necessary at this time, owing to the late burning of the Adjutant General's office with the Archieves, for there are now on file in this office a large number of military claims upon which patents cannot issue until some action is taken by your honorable bodies for the investi-

gation of such claims and for the relief of persons holding the same, many of which belong to the heirs and legal representatives of deceased soldiers.

There is another subject to which I desire to call your attention, and that is, the enactment of a law requiring all persons holding surveys made by virtue of conditional certificates, to return their unconditional certificates to the General Land Office, within some specified time, and if not so returned, the lands to become vacant public domain, and subject to be located upon by any valid land certificate, emanating under the Republic or State of Texas.

It cannot be doubted that many such surveys have been held for years, when known to the holders that the original grantees of the conditional certificates, left the country before complying with the requisition of the law, and never returned; thereby forfeiting their right to land, yet many of these surveys are held up for speculative purposes, and under existing laws this Department is bound to respect them.

I cannot close without again calling your attention to the present cramped condition of this Department.

There are now on file about twenty thousand unpatented claims, most of which have undergone no examination, and there are being filed daily by applicants in person, and through the mails, numbers of claims for which patents are earnestly solicited, but which cannot be promptly complied with owing to the insufficient force.

Unfortunately, the building is much too small to accommodate many more employees to advantage, for several being crowded together in a small room—as is the present case—cannot perform their respective duties to advantage, either to the State or themselves; it is evident then, with the present building, justice cannot be done to the numerous applicants, and that a more commodious one is actually necessary.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully your ob't servant,

S. CROSBY, Commissioner.

SECRETARY'S REPORT,

ACCOMPANYING GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE,

AND OTHER DOCUMENTS.

REPORT

Of the Secretary of State.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Austin, Texas, Oct. 30, 1855.

To His Excellency, the Governor:

In conformity to the custom established by my predecessors, I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of this Department from the commencement of your Excellency's administration up to the present date.

Of the various duties imposed upon the Secretary of State, none are more important than that of superintending the early and correct printing of the laws, and their speedy dissemination among the people. Anxious that no delay or error should occur in the performance of this duty, care was taken to have the Acts and Resolutions of the last Legislature, upon their reception at this office, promptly and correctly copied for the public printer, and the copies delivered within the time prescribed by law.—Immediately upon the delivery of the laws and journals of this office by the printer, measures were adopted for sending them, together with such other books as were to be distributed, to the several counties of the State. Believing that the cost of transmission would be less by private contract than through the mails, and relying upon that method of distribution as affording the greatest security for the delivery of the laws, journals, &c., to the different counties, contracts for the purpose were made with Sherman Case, for the Eastern District, at the sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars, and with Joseph Harnell, for the Western District, at the sum of three hundred and twenty-five dollars, the State having been divided for the object into two Districts, marked by the Brazos River. By these contracts the general and special laws, and the Journals of the 5th Legislature, the 8th and 10th volumes of Supreme Court Reports, and laws of the 32nd Congress of the United States, together with such copies of Hartley's Digest and laws of the State, not contained in said Digest, as were required to be sent out, were forwarded to the several counties, for the sum of eight hundred dollars, a sum as small, if not less than the same labor had previ-

ously been procured for, and less by twelve hundred dollars, than the amount appropriated for the purpose. The contractors performed faithfully their contracts, and returned to this Department the receipts of the proper officers for the books taken out, which receipts are carefully filed away. The 9th volume of Reports had been previously distributed through the mails from Galveston, by the reporter; the 11th volume was forwarded by mail from this city during the past summer, and the 12th, just received, is now in office, except the copies sent to the General and State Governments and the Territories. It will be understood that the Reports and the copies of the laws and Journals, required to be sent to the Librarian of Congress, the Federal offices at Washington, and the Executive of the several States and Territories, have been regularly and promptly forwarded.

I beg leave to respectfully suggest through your Excellency, to the Hon. Legislature, that the number of general laws now required to be printed, is insufficient to answer the wants of the State. After sending away to the counties and other quarters designated by law, the prescribed number of the laws of the last Legislature, so few were left that it was thought advisableto purchase one hundred additional copies, and of this number very few remain, it having become necessary to send them to counties where an increase of county officers created a demand for them. Twenty-five hundred copies is not enough, and I would respectfully suggest that an addition of one thousand copies would not be too great.

Frequent applications have been received for the Digest, some counties never having, as stated, received their compliment, and an increased number being requisite in others, from an addition to the number of officers. As far as it was prudent so to do, I complied with these requisitions. I have for some time, however, refused to give them out, the copies now in the office being about sufficient only for the use of the Legislature. I am not informed of how many copies were furnished the last Legislature. If each member drew a copy, one hundred and twenty-three were given out. It is presumed, however, that that number was not furnished, as only about forty were returned to this office.

Books and public documents are often received at this Department from the General Government, through such channels as imposes upon the State the payment of freights. No appropriation having heretofore been made to meet this expense, I mention it here that a fund may be provided, if the Hon. Legislature are pleased to grant it. It might be well, perhaps, to

make the appropriation large enough to supply the office with such of the laws of the different States, as are not found in the library. I suggest this for the convenience of our citizens; their interests sometimes requiring them to obtain from this Department copies of laws of other States.

The duties imposed upon the Secretary of State, separately and conjointly with the Attorney General, and Comptroller, by an act approved the 11th February, 1854, relating to the archives of the Legislature, have been performed. A report to the Legislature of the result of our examination will of course be made.

Your Excellency was pleased to refer the act passed by the Congress of the United States, for the settlement of our debt, directly to the people, at our recent August election, and a statement of the vote given at said election, for and against said act, as returned to this Department, is herewith furnished. It is proper to remark that from many counties no vote was had upon the proposition:

For the Texas Debt Act,	11,609
Against the Texas Debt Act,	13,818
Total number of votes given,	25,427

The majority against the act, as shown in the above statement, is 2,209, and if this election is to control, the proposition must be regarded as rejected. I would always strictly obey the will of the people when fairly and intelligibly expressed, but the vote given in this election, together with the fact that the proposition was not generally and fully discussed, ought to, it is thought, prevent the conclusion that said vote is an index of the sentiment of a majority of the voters of Texas in regard to said measure.

Through the Finance committee of the House, I endeavored to call the attention of the last Legislature, to the neglected and exposed condition of this Department. It was near the close of the session when usually there is a great rush of business, and the members are anxious to return to their homes. The failure to do anything for its safety and better accommodation is attributed to the cause above mentioned.

The building is one of the oldest in the city—the floors but little raised from the ground, have, in times of excessive rains, been inundated, and many books, necessarily piled upon the floors, injured. It is so dilapidated that the library, for which it is too small, is being seriously injured, nor can this be prevented. It is constructed entirely of wood and cloth, and occu-

pying a very exposed position in the city is continually in danger of being burned. Should it be destroyed, the loss to the State, in a pecuniary point of view, might not be very great, yet irrepairable in other respects. Besides an extensive library, containing some valuable works, there are records here commencing with the early history of the cruntry, and extending through some of its most interesting annals—mementoes connected with cherished and glorious incidents of the days which wrested this fair land from intolerance and gave it to freedom—mementoes which ought to be, and are dear to all Texians, which it should be interesting to the State to preserve, and for which, I respectfully suggest it would be becoming in the Hon. Legislature to provide a safer repository than the one which now contains them.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
EDWARD CLARK,
Secretary of State.

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